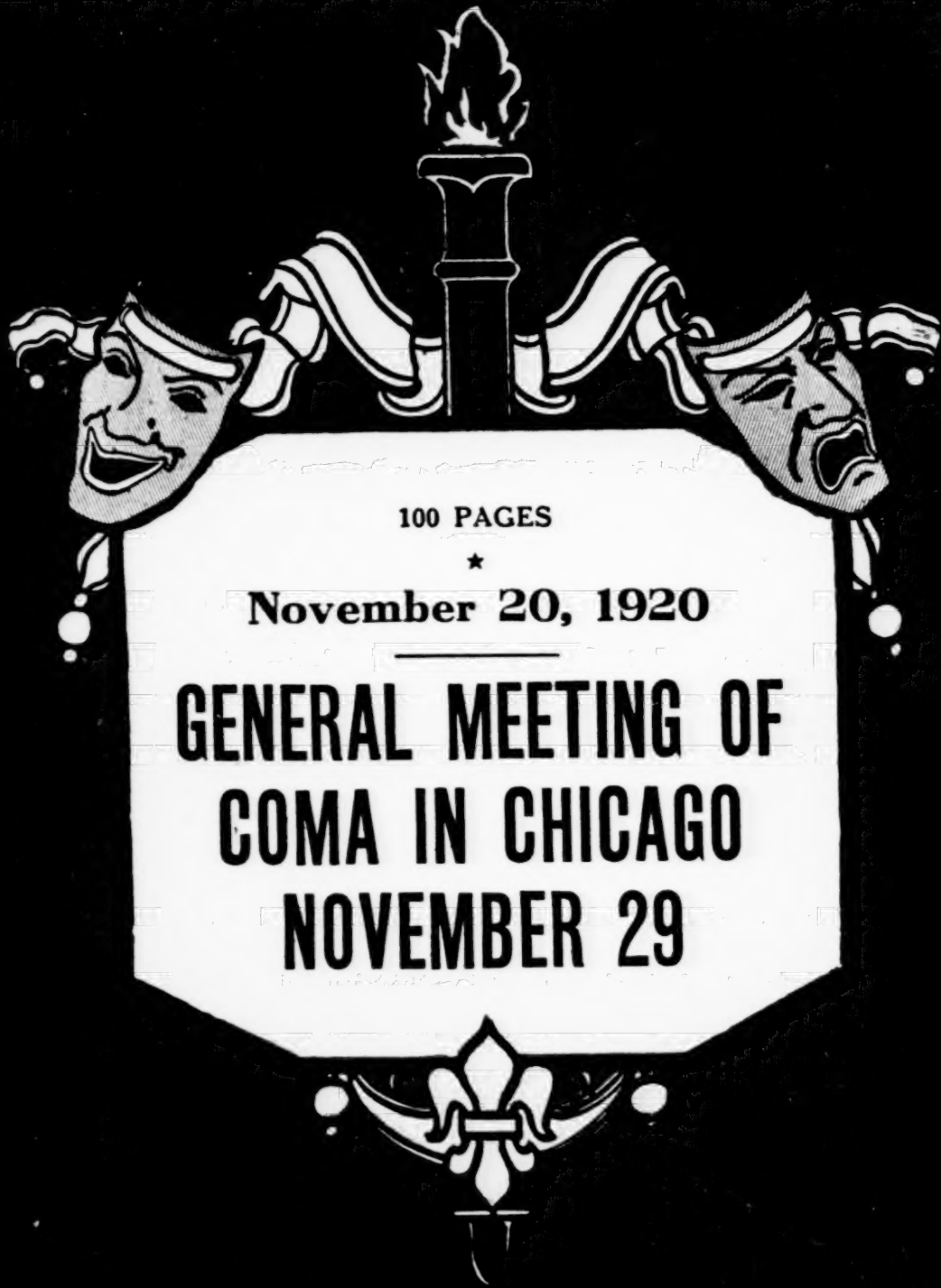


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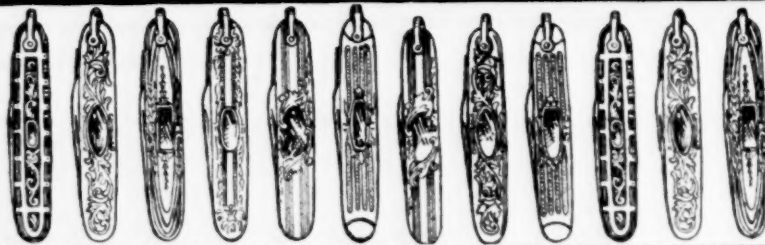
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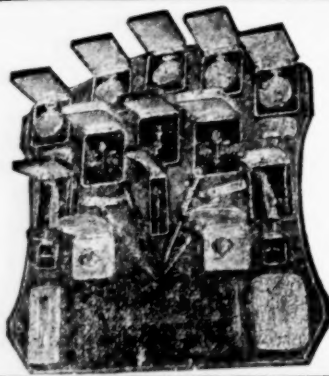
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Great Combination of Vaudeville Interests Is Formed

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Alignment Adds 95 Houses to Original Sun Circuit

Springfield, Nov. 14.—Announcement of the most important combination of popular-priced vaudeville interests in many years was made here today from the general executive offices of the Gus Sun Amusement Enterprises. This development is the direct outgrowth of the recent cancellation by E. F. Albee of the booking contract held by the Gus Sun Booking Exchange.

The new alignment adds ninety-five theaters to the original Gus Sun Circuit of more than eighty houses, and gives an unbroken chain of theaters stretching from New York to San Francisco. The pooling of these booking interests includes:

The Gus Sun Circuit, with offices in New York, Chicago, Springfield, O.; Buffalo and Pittsburg; the thirty houses booked by the Consolidated Amusement Company, of Kansas City, Mo.; nineteen theaters served by the Bert Levy Association, of San Francisco, Calif.; the nine new theaters, three of which are in Chicago, which have been added to the Chicago offices of the Sun Exchange; the twelve theaters making up the Bert Christy Circuit, of Salt Lake City, Utah; the thirty-one houses of the Kellie-Burns Circuit, formerly the Sullivan-Considine Time, of Seattle, Wash.; the twelve new theaters added to the books of the Springfield offices of the Sun Exchange, and the two new houses added to the Buffalo Exchange of the Sun Circuit.

This booking agreement, giving the Sun Circuit a continuous string of houses from Coast to Coast, affords, with the original eighty theaters on the Sun books, more than a season's work for artists. All of the four circuits involved in the affiliation with the Gus Sun Exchange are established and going concerns, holding long-term and non-cancellation contracts with the various theaters served.

While no official announcement was made as to the duration of the booking affiliation between the Sun, Levy, Con-

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LEW DOCKSTADER



Mr. Dockstader, veteran burnt cork artist, will again head a minstrel company under Gus Hill next year.

EDW. M. BALLARD STARTLES THE CIRCUS WORLD WITH NEW MOVE

Buys Yankee Robinson Circus From Fred Buchanan

Negotiating for Sells-Floto and Buffalo Bill Shows

Would Consolidate Performers, Etc., for Chicago Season

Edward M. Ballard is exploiting probably the biggest circus and outdoor amusement enterprise ever attempted. It is well known that he is interested in the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus, the John Robinson and the Howe's Great London Shows, and within the last few days he has purchased the Yankee Robinson Circus from Fred Buchanan, and is now negotiating with the Sells-Floto Circus and the Buffalo Bill (Colonel Cody) Wild West, Congress of Rough Riders of the World. The Yankee Robinson Show, instead of going to Granger, Ia., where it has wintered for years, was placed in winter quarters at Lancaster, Mo. Dan Odom has

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NEW MINSTREL SHOW HEADED BY DOCKSTADER A CERTAINTY

Veteran Performer Again To Lead Troupe Under Gus Hill

To Organize Next July and Play 12 Weeks in New York

Bookings Being Arranged for All of Larger Cities

Chicago, Nov. 13.—Lew Dockstader, famous old-time minstrel leader, will again head a company, under the management of Gus Hill, according to information given to The Billboard by Harry Armstrong, pioneer booking agent, and a personal friend of both men. The intentions of having such a company were announced recently in The Billboard.

The company will be organized next July, and twelve weeks will follow in a New York theater, the name of which has not yet been made public. Bookings in all of the larger cities are now being arranged. According to Mr. Armstrong, the organization will eclipse all other and previous efforts in minstrelsy. Negotiations will be begun at once with the most noted performers in the minstrel world. Costumes, scenery and draperies will be of the finest, and many novel scenic features will be included in the properties.

Mr. Armstrong has been engaged to go to New York, where he will produce and direct the new organization. When the company opens he will take one of the ends and will remain with the company on its tour. Incidentally, he was for twenty-five years with old Jack Haverly organization.

The company will be known as The Lew Dockstader Minstrels, and Mr. Dockstader will be in full charge and exercise the broadest authority. It is planned, as a feature, to burlesque all of the big New York hits in other shows. The finest talent known to the profession will be sought, and, Mr. Armstrong said, it will represent new ideas without in any way destroying any of the old traditions of minstrelsy. He informed The Billboard that the final arrangements between Mr. Hill and Mr. Dockstader were consummated in Chicago Sunday, November 7, at which he was present.

HARRY E. TUDOR



who has arranged an aeronautical sensation for fair officials at the New York Horse Show this week.

THE NAT REISS SHOWS LEASED FOR 1921 BY VELARE BROS.

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Robert L. Lohmar Is To Act as General Manager

H. G. Melville Will Re-Enter Commercial World

The Nat Reiss Shows have been leased for the 1921 season by Velare Brothers, who will operate it under the Nat Reiss title. The lease gives use of the title, equipment and good will. The same operating policy will continue as regards clean attractions and legitimate concessions. Robert L. Lohmar is retained and will act as general manager, and many others of the former staff have been re-engaged.

Messrs. Elmer C. and Curtis J. Velare had two rides, three shows and a number of concessions on the Nat Reiss Shows the past two seasons. They also own a number of cars. Their equipment and the leased parapher-

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Last Week's Issue of The Billboard Contained 1,384 Classified Ads, Totaling 5,457 Lines, and 588 Display Ads, Totaling 25,266 Lines. 1,972 Ads, Occupying 30,723 Lines in All

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SHOWMEN'S LEAGUE WILL HAVE HOMECOMING WEEK

**New Feature of Entertainment Inaugurated—
Nov. 24 to Dec. 1 Are the Dates and Many
Festivities Have Been Planned To Make
the Event a Memorable One**

Chicago, Nov. 13.—"Homecoming Week" is a new feature originated by the house committee of the Showmen's League of America, and the week will begin November 24 and last until the big banquet and ball December 1. The house committee gave the subject careful and intelligent thought and decided that as the league really belongs to the out-of-town members special effort should be made by the home guards to give them the best entertainment that the league has ever offered its absentee members.

Beginning with November 24 the league rooms will be opened at 9 o'clock in the morning and stay open until late at night. On "Homecoming Night" (November 24) a big party will be given in the league rooms. A man who fails to bring a lady will have to explain, but he can get in at that. There will be music, a vast number of things to eat, dancing and some of the best entertainers in Chicago. It will be open house all week. All league members are urged to bring up their men and women friends so that they may see what a going organization the league really is. In other words your guests do not need to be league members.

Now, then, during this interesting week the big Charity Bazaar, to be conducted by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Showmen's League, will be held on the mezzanine floor of the Sherman House, afternoons and evenings, November 29-30. "Homecoming Week," with all of its festivities, will draw to a close with the

"THE COWL" THEATER

**New Selwyn House To Be Named After
Famous Actress**

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Lovely Jane Cowl is to have a first-class theater in Chicago named after her. It will be one of the twin Selwyn theaters, on Dearborn, near Randolph street, on which construction is soon to start. Miss Cowl is now playing in the Cort Theater in "Smilin' Through."

Archie Selwyn made the above announcement today. He also said that Miss Cowl is at the height of the most successful run of record-breaking business ever done by an American dramatic star, starting in Denver July 15. Last week Miss Cowl established a new record for breaking the Loop record only by the capacity of the theater. Miss Cowl will open the new theater in a play she is writing in collaboration with Jane Murfin, with whom she wrote "Lilac Time." Some of her successes include "Within the Law," "The Gamblers," "Common Clay," "Information, Please," and "Lilac Time." The other Chicago theater will be called the Selwyn.

OPEN SESSION AT RINK

**Daniel C. Webb, Manager of Iceland,
Announces Special Event—Fred
Stone Chairman of Committee**

New York, Nov. 13.—The Midnight Skating Club will hold an open session at Iceland skating rink Thursday evening, November 18. It is expected by Daniel C. Webb, manager of Iceland, that theatrical folk will take advantage of the opportunity to skate on ice, the hours being arranged especially for their benefit. Skating will be from 11:30 to 1:30, with supper served from 12 to 1. There will be an exhibition by Miss Schmidt and an impromptu skating contest. Fred Stone, the star of "Tip-Top," at the Globe Theater, is chairman of the committee, and James A. Cruickshank is secretary.

DINNER TO FRED BLOCK

New Orleans, Nov. 11.—On Wednesday, November 10, the Rotary Club of this city gave a dinner in honor of Fred Block, of the producing firm of Gleason & Block, who is in this city for several days, en route to Cuba. The firm has three companies on the road—"The Maid of Love," "The Man in the Making" and "The Rainbow Girl." After viewing the opening of "The Rainbow Girl" here next week Mr. Block, with his bride of eight months, will sail for Cuba to complete his honeymoon, which has been interrupted on account of business.

big banquet and ball, the night of December 1, in the Cameo Room of the Morrison Hotel.

Chicago members of the league have decided as a unit they will exert every effort to entertain the out-of-town members and their ladies and friends, and make this the greatest week in the history of the league. There will be reading and writing rooms in league headquarters, mail of members may be sent to the league, friends may be met there and it will be open house generally, where all may visit, talk over the events of the past year and feel at home. The banquet and ball will be the stately event that will close a week of entertainment that every member and their friends will carry back and think of pleasantly during the new season. Old friendships will be renewed, matters of common interest will be talked over and everybody who has worked hard the past season can forget it and have a good time.

tober 2. They deliberately walked out of the opera house an hour before the rise of the curtain, leaving me with eight girls.

"I had trouble with these girls and chorus men from the time the show started out. As for owing them anything there is not one who does not owe me, and I have their I. O. Us.

"There people all owed me close to \$1,000 advanced when the show opened, for board, clothing, etc. Two days before they jumped the show I had bought them new shoes and hats."

SHUBERTS WIN SUIT

Advices from Louisville, Ky., are to the effect that the Cincinnati-Louisville Theater Company, which operated the Strand Theater in Louisville, has lost its fight to retain possession of the building. The Masonic Grand Lodge of Kentucky is adjudged entitled to the building. This means that the Shuberts gain control of the theater. It is expected that the case will be appealed.

STILL SEEKING DAUGHTER

Mrs. Alice White writes The Billboard that she is still seeking to locate or get word from her daughter, Rosa, formerly of Plomaton, Ala., from whom she has had no word for some months. Should this come to the attention of the daughter or of anyone knowing her whereabouts, please communicate with Mrs. Alice White, 940 Bell street, Montgomery, Ala.

WILL BUILD IN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Nov. 11.—A company known as the West Coast Theaters, Inc., has been formed with a capital stock of \$2,000,000. The in-

A GROUP OF NOTABLES



Aboard the S. S. Baltic, en route to England. From left to right: J. Stuart Blackton, veteran motion picture producer-director; Mrs. Lillian Trimble Lipton, Mrs. Blackton and George Broadhurst, popular playwright and stage producer. The picture has just been received from London.

DISAPPOINTED

**Sunday Night Crowd Failed To See Gus
Hill's Minstrels**

Chicago, Nov. 10.—When the Gus Hill Minstrels closed at the Auditorium Saturday night it appears that a lot of people thought the show would remain until Sunday night. The show moved up to Kenosha, Wis., however, according to schedule, altho Mr. Hill remained in Chicago over Sunday.

Sunday night a huge crowd stormed the dark Auditorium doors, and there was nothing doing. Mr. Hill heard about it and dug his nails into his palms, but it was too late. The show reported a splendid business in Kenosha.

COMPLAINT AGAINST MANAGER

Who Comes Right Back With a Denial

Geraldine Brace, Bee Nesbit, Dick James, A. Devine, Juliette Turley and William L. Fox have written to The Billboard complaining against William Wamsber, producer of "Oh, You Girls." They state that over six weeks ago they started rehearsals with the "Oh, You Girls" Company, and have not received any salary. On October 2, they allege, they were left stranded in Columbus, Wis., without funds. They further claim that during the entire time they were with the show they were unfairly treated.

When the charges were brought to the attention of Mr. Wamsber by The Billboard he denied every allegation. "In reference to the people of whom you speak," he wrote, "they have all been with me, except Bee Nesbit, who has never worked for me under that name. These people were all chorus girls and boys, and the boys, it appeared, influenced the girls to leave with them in Columbus, Wis., on Oc-

corporators are: Sol L. Lesser, A. L. Gore, M. Gore, Adolph Ramish, Thos. A. Morrissey, Goodwin Knight and Frank S. Hutton. It is the intention of the company to build a theater on Mercantile Place, facing on Broadway, between Fifth and Sixth streets, and running thru to Spring street. It will be a first-run house of the First National Circuit.

SINGER SUING FOR DIVORCE

San Francisco, Nov. 10.—Mrs. Stanley White Morsehead, protegee of Mue. Schumann-Heink and possessor of a voice that has charmed two continents, is preparing, thru her attorney, Charles S. Wheeler, to file suit for divorce from her husband, millionaire oil capitalist and local clubman, from whom she separated more than a year ago. The technical grounds for the divorce will be "desertion."

LOTTA FAUST'S MOTHER IN NEED

New York, Nov. 12.—It developed this week that the aged mother of the late Lotta Faust is in need. She has been given a position in the wardrobe department of "Hitchy-Koo," now playing at the New York Amsterdam Theater, but it is said that she will not be able to work much longer, and a collection is being made to provide for her when she is no longer able to work. Mrs. Faust said that she had not eaten anything for two days before she got her present position.

SYMPATHETIC STRIKE

Salt Lake City, Nov. 12.—Operators in all theaters operated by the Swanson Theater Circuit in this city and thruout the State were called out by the union in sympathy with the musicians and stage hands, who have been out for some time. At present the local houses are being operated on the so-called American plan.

ATTACK

Made on Sanger Circus

**At Attalla, Ala.—Row Precipitated When Circus Property
Is Destroyed by Attalla Roughts**

Attalla, Ala., Nov. 12.—An attack was made on the Sanger Circus when it showed here Wednesday, November 10, when employees of the circus resented the destruction of show property by young roughts of the town.

It is said that the trouble started when a band of boys and young men began to knock out the electric lights around the show grounds, following this up with cutting the ropes and tents. After the show was over and while the crowd was leaving the employees of the circus attempted to defend the show property. The crowd then started for the two Pullman cars used to carry the performers. One of the doors was broken down and all the windows are said to have been smashed. Deputy Sheriff Watson went into the car and brought out the only man in it. The women of the show who were in the cars were in terror of their lives. The cars were almost completely wrecked.

Between twenty and thirty showmen were arrested, but were released on bond. No Attalla people were arrested, but it is said that the authorities are determined to bring the guilty parties to justice. According to accounts the town roughts were the aggressors and their attack on the showmen and the cars was entirely unjustified.

ERLANGER IN CONTROL

New York, Nov. 13.—A. L. Erlanger will become the sole lessee and manager of the Knickerbocker Theater on September 1, 1921. A short time ago considerable money was spent in remodeling and redecorating the interior of the house, and it is Mr. Erlanger's plan to make further improvements when he takes possession. The Knickerbocker was built for the late Henry E. Abbey in 1893, and was opened as the Abbey Theater November 8 of that year, with Sir Henry Irving and Ellen Terry in Tennyson's "Becket."

MISS FERGUSON BACK

New York, Nov. 13.—Elsie Ferguson, in private life Mrs. Thomas Clark, Jr., returned yesterday from a European trip. She started her circle of the globe last May. During her stay in the Philippines she was the guest of Governor-General Burton Harrison. She also made a stop in every city along the Oriental Coast. She says the Chinese are not so bad as they have been painted.

BUYS PARIS O. H.

Paris, Ill., Nov. 12.—The Paris Theater Company has purchased the Shoaff Opera House and will spend about \$20,000 in remodeling and making a first-class picture house of it. The stage will be retained, and a limited number of road shows will be played. An up-to-date organ will be installed, and 300 seats will be added.

COCHRAN WANTS BELASCO

New York, Nov. 13.—Charles B. Cochran, who is returning to England, has renewed his offer to David Belasco to go to London as a producer and take Lenore Ulric over for a production. He confirms the report that Mrs. Irene Castle, now Mrs. Robert S. Treman, is to return to the stage in London.

MELVIN TO ST. PETERSBURG

W. J. Melvin has been placed in charge of the Lynch Enterprises' theatrical interests in St. Petersburg, Fla., as manager for the five houses, including the Plaza, devoted to the legitimate and probably vaudeville. He has been at Orlando, St. Augustine, Jacksonville and other places with the Lynch people. Assisting him will be J. P. Harris and H. G. Griffin.

W. H. JONES PROMOTED

W. H. Jones, who has been manager of the Bonito Theater for the Saenger Amusement Corporation at Pensacola, Fla., has been promoted to be manager of a string of three houses for that concern in Alexandria, La., and has gone to his new post.

ACTRESS RECOVERING

New York, Nov. 11.—According to latest reports from North Hudson Hospital, Elsie Fay, the actress, who was seriously hurt Sunday in an automobile accident, has a chance for recovery. She received a fractured skull, broken shoulder and internal injuries.

AERONAUTICAL SENSATION FOR STATE FAIRS IN 1921

Exclusive Demonstration To Be Given State Fair Officials Visiting New York for the Horse Show—Said To Be Last Word in Aerial Thrills

New York, Nov. 15.—In connection with the visit of secretaries and other State Fair officials to New York for Horse Show this week Harry E. Tudor advises The Billboard that he has arranged a special demonstration for their exclusive entertainment of what he regards to be the positive last word in aerial thrills and spectacular effect.

Mr. Tudor views this, the latest development of aeronautical progress, as presenting a veritable revelation in "Night Flying," and, while being of a character superseding all other aerial evolutions and acrobatics so far attempted, is attended by perfect safety for the aviators, tho to the spectators such is, apparently, far from being so.

An outstanding feature of the demonstration terminates a "flying in flames" effect of the aerial evolutions in the seemingly impossible invention of "Turning Night Into Day" and which in addition to providing for the landing of the airplane under veritable daylight conditions has a weirdly startling effect within a radius of ten miles of the field of demonstration.

Mr. Tudor is of the opinion that those State Fair officials who take advantage of their visit

to New York to be present at the demonstration will have reason to regard their interest and presence as being amply rewarded and as affording a thought in the direction of solving the problem of attracting increased night attendance during the course of their respective exhibitions for 1921.

TO MANAGE TAMPA HOUSE

Tampa, Fla., Nov. 12.—Archibald Blue, formerly of Gainesville, has succeeded Manager Ninninger at the Bonito Theater here. Mr. Ninninger has gone to Lakeland to manage the Auditorium there for L. D. Joel.

NEW COMPANY FORMED

Marletta, O., Nov. 12.—The Triangle Amusement Co. has been organized here to promote

new front signs painted, which give only the name of Delysia and Lupino Lane. The new signs cost \$200. Gest says it's worth it.

SUES PHOTO CORPORATION

New York, Nov. 12.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy against the Yankee Photo Corporation has been filed in United States District Court by David W. Kahn, attorney for George H. (Babe) Ruth and the Biograph Company. Ruth claims \$35,000 for services, and the Biograph Company has a claim of \$1,062 for rental of its studio to the corporation.

FASTER TIME TO COAST

New York, Nov. 14.—Fast train service between Chicago and California will be restored today, when three hours and forty minutes will be clipped off the running time of the Overland Limited.

REMODEL OLD THEATER

New York, Nov. 14.—Plans are being prepared by Shampan & Shampan, architects, for extensive alterations to the old Thalia Theater at 46 and 48 Bowers, for Acierio's Amusement Corporation, as owners. This theater is one of New York's old landmarks.

EJECTS PROCESS SERVER

New York, Nov. 10.—A man described as a giant bodyguard to Clara Kimball Young, film star, was charged this week with attempted assault by Edward Rother, a process server of 2 Rector street, and a summons for the giant's ap-

DISCONTENT

Among New York Stage Hands

Over Present Wage—Switching of Stage Crews Is Believed Move To Compel Higher Scale

New York, Nov. 12.—Substitution of new stage crews in New York theaters is believed by managers to be a move on the part of the stage hands' union to compel a higher wage scale. It is reported that several shows have been delayed on their evening performance recently for the reason that crews were shifted about, making it impossible for the new crew, not familiar with the production, to do its work as expeditiously as the crew originally assigned.

At the headquarters of Theatrical Protective Union, No. 1, The Billboard was informed today that nothing official was known of the "substitution" complained of by managers.

"I believe there is considerable discontent on the part of the men, however," admitted an official of the union. "Their minds have been in this state of discontent since long before September 1 and the men have become more dissatisfied as time went on," he said. "However," he added, "this dissatisfaction has not yet reached an acute stage. Eight or nine out of ten have that feeling and the situation grows more acute as time passes.

"Do you contemplate a strike?" he was asked. "We never have contemplated a strike," he replied.

The uneasiness of the men is believed to be due to the fact that the present scale, which has until next September to run, is not satisfactory to the men. The contracts call for \$3.25 a performance. Morris Gest has given his stagehands a slight increase in pay for the "Mecca" performance at the Century. Union officials are quoted as saying that the men have a right to switch if they want to.

The houses mostly affected this week by the shifting of crews were the Century, Casino, Booth, Thirty-ninth Street, Winter Garden and Globe. The confusion resulting from changing crews at the eleventh hour has resulted in the curtain going up late in many of these houses. Last September the men wanted an increase, but as their contracts still had a year to run the increase was not forthcoming. At the time The Billboard carried a story to the effect that while there would be no strike there was much dissatisfaction on the part of the men.

At the I. A. T. S. E. headquarters in the World Tower Building The Billboard was informed that nothing was known of the switching of crews and that furthermore it was a matter that, for the present, was entirely in the hands of Local No. 1.

IS GOOD PUBLICITY

Lansing, Mich., Nov. 11.—The new theatrical publication, Screen and Stage, issued here by Harry R. Guest in the interest of the Gladmer and Colonial Theaters, is being used to promote various reforms and improve local conditions, in addition to advertising the various attractions. Phil M. Scout, an unknown, has a weekly letter pointing out evils committed by the audience, such as munching popcorn, whispering, putting their feet on the orchestra rail, etc., while he occasionally leaves notes in his seat which are good for complimentary tickets for whoever finds them.

MAJOR CASE MARRIES

New York, Nov. 10.—Major P. T. Case, house manager of the Capitol Theater, has married Irene Crouck, of Toronto, Can. Major Case sprang into the limelight a few days ago when he replaced a British flag in front of the Capitol Theater that had been torn down by Irish sympathizers. He fought in the world war.

LARGE RECEIPTS

Of Al G. Field Minstrels in Atlanta Verified by Manager of Theater

The Al G. Field Minstrels enjoyed phenomenal success during their engagement at the Atlanta Theater, Atlanta, Ga., the middle of October, as they have at most of their stands during the present season. The receipts for the week were reported as in excess of \$18,000, but a "doubting Thomas" disputed the statement, with the result that a wager was made and The Billboard was asked to secure the official figures. In response to a request for a statement, Lewis Haase, manager of the theater, sent the following sworn statement:

"This is to certify that the following is a correct statement of the gross receipts played to

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"DON'T SAVE THE ROSES UNTIL—"

By FRED HOLLMAN

Significant and gratifying is the announcement that a monster benefit will be held in the Auditorium in December for Andreas Dippel. All of the stars of the Chicago Grand Opera Company have tendered their services, as have other distinguished artists not with that organization. There is substance, warmed with the music of many loyal heartstrings, back of this coming event. When Mr. Dippel waved the baton in the orchestra pit of the Auditorium years ago, when he was director-general of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, when, with splendid attainments and fiery sincerity, he labored to plant grand opera firm and deep in a virgin field, he was a notable figure in art, as well as a pioneer of unquestioned courage. But the fates are said to have dealt hardly with Mr. Dippel in a financial way. Lately, defeated, but with the same high courage, he has been selling life insurance. Legitimate as that calling is, we believe it is no place for a maestro. Mr. Dippel has deserved a kindlier fate. That all of the great singers in Chicago were rallied to a testimonial in Mr. Dippel's behalf is encouraging and heartening.

There is something sinister in the shadows that fall over the great artist when he or she faces the other way from the audience. In no other calling does outcast, alien, unfortunate or prodigal, find so swift and straight a path into obscurity. Mr. Dippel's vitality, qualifications and optimism do not place him in either of these categories, but the fact remains that, at least temporarily, he is removed from the orchestra pit by circumstances. The Billboard hopes the benefit will be one of such magnificent proportions that the donor will feel that the rose offerings of sincere hearts have not been reserved for a date when they become mere customary trappings.

theatrical attractions. Edwin Cole, Barker Stanley and F. G. Peters make up the personnel of the company, which has purchased the franchise of L. M. Luchs.

BUYS ENTIRE BLOCK

Shamokin, Pa., Nov. 14.—The Chamberlain Amusement Enterprises, Inc., has purchased an entire block in Mount Carmel on the town's leading thoroughfare and plans the erection of a \$250,000 theater. It will be a three-story, fire-proof building, and work will be started next spring.

SINGER DIVORCED

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Langhorst, 28, soloist and teacher of music, of Cincinnati, was granted a divorce from Frederick C. Langhorst last week.

SAVAGE GOING TO FLORIDA

Tampa, Fla., Nov. 13.—Henry W. Savage will arrive this month at Stuart, Fla., where he will spend the winter again, according to wires to agents there in charge of his property.

ROB BOSTON THEATER

Boston, Nov. 11.—Some time Saturday night or Sunday morning robbers cracked the safe at the Old South Theater, on Washington street. The Old South is a picture house operated in the Gordon chain.

WANTS NAME OUT

New York, Nov. 12.—Because one of the show girls in "Afgar," at the Central Theater, has quit the show and demanded, thru her attorney, that her name be effaced from the announcements in front, Morris Gest immediately ordered

pearance in court was obtained. Rother complains that when he visited the room of Miss Young at the Hotel Commodore to serve a summons in a civil suit involving \$25,000 he was severely hurt in a tussle with the "bodyguard." Miss Young denies Rother's accusations.

TO "PAGE" PATRONS

New York, Nov. 11.—The board of commissioners of Lexington, Ky., proposes to pass an ordinance requiring Lexington theaters and picture shows to "page" persons in the audience in cases of emergency.

ENGAGED AS UNDERSTUDY

New York, Nov. 13.—Elaine Otis, a cousin of Elita Proctor Otis, was engaged this week to play as general understudy for the company supporting Robert Warwick in "The Dauntless Three."

ALAN BROOKS LEAVING

New York, Nov. 12.—Alan Brooks will leave the Punch and Judy Theater shortly and take "Because of Helen" on the road. The succeeding attraction will be Roland Young in "Rollo's Wild Oats."

ADDED TO "SPANISH LOVE"

New York, Nov. 13.—George B. Ackley has been added to the cast of "Spanish Love." This play is expected by Wagenhals & Kemper to remain at the Maxine Elliott the remainder of the season.

PROFESSIONALS TO WED

New York, Nov. 13.—A license has been granted James A. McGrath, actor, to wed Myrtle Mackey Bellaire, actress. They will be married November 18.

HAYMAN ESTATE

New York, Nov. 12.—First accounting of the estate left by Al Hayman, veteran theatrical manager and producer, shows that he directed his estate to be divided as follows: Alf Hayman, brother, \$120,000; Genevieve Seymour, niece, \$10,000; Emma and Claude Lehman, cousins, each \$5,000; Mt. Sinai Cemetery at Bridesburg, Pa., for the care of his plot, \$2,000. Minnie Hayman, widow, gets a life interest in the remainder of the estate. Mt. Sinai Hospital, the United Hebrew Charities and Montefiore Home for Chronic Invalids are each to receive \$25,000.

ARMISTICE DAY "FLIV"

New York, Nov. 12.—Armistice Day matinees yesterday proved to be poorly attended in many cases. The regular Wednesday matinees had been suspended in some instances and the Armistice Day matinee substituted. Scarcely a corporal's guard could be discerned at some of yesterday's matinees. "The Bat," "Lightnin'," "Enter Madame," "Good Times" and "The Bad Man" were some of the shows that did capacity business.

U. S. AFTER "SPECS."

New York, Nov. 11.—William H. Edwards, collector of Internal Revenue, is on the warpath. The ticket scalpers are going to be the target of his attack. Theater managers have been instructed to save stubs of all tickets collected, so that Edwards' agents may inspect them, to determine whether speculators are paying the 50 per cent tax required when tickets are sold in excess of 50 cents above the market price.

BUYS CORNING OPERA HOUSE

Corning, N. Y., Nov. 14.—Robert E. Hall, representing New York theatrical men, has bought the Corning Opera House from B. W. Wellington, representing the stockholders. As soon as the lease to G. H. Tobias expires next June the theater will be remodeled and its seating capacity increased by three hundred.

KREISLER LOSES TRUNK

Watertown, N. Y., Nov. 12.—Fritz Kreisler lost his trunk containing his evening clothes on his way to this city this week, and was forced to give his concert in afternoon dress. The trunk was lost between here and Boston.

KEY WEST HOUSE REOPENS

Manager Chase of the Parlor Theater at Key West has reopened his house under the name of the Garden Theater. The house has been thoroughly refitted and rearranged. A stage has been installed, and the Kinsey Company is producing light musical comedy with stock.

BUYS ANOTHER

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 12.—Samuel Suckno, owner and manager of the Albany and Regent motion picture theaters of this city, has purchased from Morris Silverman the Happy Hour Theater in Schenectady.



VAUDEVILLE

The Latest News and This Week's Reviews This Week



The Billboard and Mountford Win Great Victory for Actors

New York Central Railroad Must Restore Old Rate— Appellate Division Rules Charter Fixing Fare at Two Cents Per Mile Is in Full Operation—Act Under Which Government Took Over Railroads Repealed

New York, Nov. 13.—The campaign of the Billboard and of the American Artists' Federation, thru its executive secretary, Harry Mountford, is bearing fruit.

A decision of the Appellate Division will save actors in New York many, many thousands of dollars. While this decision only refers to the fare between Albany and Buffalo, still it will act as a precedent for the fare between Albany and New York and all towns in the State of New York.

It is remarkable that the opinion of the Court should coincide so closely with the opinions on the law which have been expressed in these columns repeatedly by Mr. Mountford.

On November 10 the Appellate Division, third department, handed down a decision directing the New York Central Railroad to file with the Public Service Commission, second district, a new schedule fixing the rate of fare for way passengers between Albany and Buffalo at two cents a mile. The present fare is 3.6 cents a mile.

Court action was instituted by the commission in July against the railroad when it refused to obey the commission's order to reduce the rate of fare from 3.6 to 2 cents a mile.

Justice Woodward, who wrote the prevailing opinion, said that the rate of two cents a mile was a charter provision and a condition which the corporation accepted along with its franchise.

HAS SAME FORCE AS OTHER PROVISIONS
"It is as much a part of its being as any other provision in its charter, which must be accepted or rejected in toto," wrote Justice Woodward.

The United States transportation act of 1920 repealed, in effect, the act under which the railroads were taken over by the government, or at

PALY SANDERS

Returns From Europe—Says It Will
Be Two Years Before Acts Can
Be Brought Here Extensively

New York, Nov. 14.—According to Paly Sanders, who at one time was one of the most important representatives of European acts in this country, conditions are not yet ripe in Europe for any extensive importation of acts. Mr. Sanders left America for European cities last April and returned here a short time ago.

"It will be two years before Europe has returned to her old standard," said Mr. Sanders. Business is good in Germany, he said, but although actors get ten times the money they received before the war it represents only a fraction of the pre-war value, on account of the shrinkage of the German mark. A mark, when Mr. Sanders arrived in Germany, represented about one cent. He bought a shirt in Vienna, Austria, and paid 840 kronen for it. Four hundred kronen are equal to the American dollar. He says that although he found many new wonderful acts with a wealth of new and novel features, it is impossible to get them over here on account of the fact that they spend nearly all they earn to live and have nothing left with which to purchase passage.

Mr. Sanders is at present booking acts, with offices in the Putnam Building.

WHOLE NEWSPAPER ISSUE IS DEVOTED TO LOEW

The enterprise of Marcus Loew was well illustrated on the occasion of the opening of his new theater in Ottawa on November 8. On that date practically a whole sixteen-page issue of The Ottawa Evening Citizen was devoted to Loew and his enterprises, with interesting descriptions of the career of the showman and of his theaters.

least released the railroad from any operation of that law, said the opinion.

"There can be no reasonable doubt," wrote Justice Woodward, "that as the chartered rights of the New York Central Railroad came into full operation with the return of the railroad property to its owners, the duties and obligations constituting a part of the charter contract followed the rights and are now controlling."

BLAME YOURSELF—NOT THE PUBLIC

By E. M. WICKES

The fact that your stuff falls to get over doesn't mean that every one out in front is a cripple or a numskull. Persons who deposit regular money at the box-office do so under the impression that you and others on the bill will please them. You are the salesman, and it is up to you to find out what the public likes and then get it.

The audience pays for amusement and relaxation, and it expects full value for money, just as anyone does when purchasing food or clothing. So when you happen to fall flat, instead of panning the people out in front and looking upon them as the original tribe of dumbbells, examine yourself and your wares and see if you have been offering first-class merchandise. Thousands of others before you have been up against the same problem, and those who won out did so because they were wise enough to analyze themselves, their goods and then remedy all the defects.

Mme. Olga Petrova had the same trouble. When she started out in London she tried to put over some Shakespearean impersonations, and she was actually hooted off the stage. She was such a frost that after a time no manager would take a chance with her. Instead of blaming the public she studied herself and her work, and then decided to get closer to the public by giving something it liked, such as impersonations of shop girls, waitresses, nurses and others. She made a hit and was billed all over London. Later she came to New York to star in the Follies Bergere.

At the Follies she tried her Shakespeare stuff, but no one in the audience knew that she was alive. None turned when she left the stage. Imagine how she must have felt after having been heralded as a London sensation. As a failure she was great! At the end of the first week she quit. Still she didn't blame it on the public.

A friend told Mme. Petrova that she didn't understand the American audience and that she lacked "pep." So with the consent of her manager Mme. Petrova changed her name and got a job as a chorus girl in a Broadway musical comedy. For five weeks she worked for little or nothing while she studied the American style of entertaining, the song and dance, and the psychology of the American audience. She was soon convinced that she had been wrong from the start. She had a new act written, including two songs, employed American instead of English impersonations and opened at one of the Proctor houses, where she was a hit. She worked up to \$350 a week, and then quit vaudeville to star in "Pantben." Her success in the movies is common knowledge. Later she quit pictures to star in vaudeville. Mme. Petrova made good just because she had sense enough to study herself thoroughly before blaming the audience when she failed to get over at the start. How about you?

KEITH LEFT \$2,663,151

Vaudeville Magnate Gave Bulk of Estate to Cardinal O'Connell and Harvard

New York, Nov. 14.—An appraiser's report on the estate of the late A. Paul Keith, who died October 30, 1918, has been filed with the Deputy State Comptroller. It shows an estate of \$2,663,151, of which \$396,512.92 is taxable in New York. Cardinal O'Connell, Boston, and Harvard University are the chief beneficiaries under the will of the theatrical man. To each is willed half of the residue estate, after the payment of bequests to forty-five persons, amounting to several hundred thousands of dollars. Shares in the B. F. Keith Theater are willed to Edward F. Albee, Walter P. Cooke of Buffalo, Maurice Goodman and E. M. Robinson of this city, Robert Larsen of Buffalo, and John J. Murdock.

JACK'S BACK ON BROADWAY

New York, Nov. 13.—Jack (Texas) Sullivan, who has a reputation for being one of the best marksmen in the country, arrived in New York this week after a long siege at St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich. He had been wounded about eleven years ago in the abdomen, and, although the wound healed rapidly, the scar tissue contracted and was the cause recently of considerable digestive trouble that interfered materially with Jack's motion picture

engagements. A delicate operation was performed by Dr. R. D. Howe, of Chicago, and Dr. Louis Chamberlain, house surgeon of St. Mary's Hospital. Mr. Sullivan spent three months in bed after the operation, but now, aside from a slight limp, declares he is entirely recovered. Doctor Howe is the physician who went to England and operated successfully on Banker McCormack after the capitalist had been unsuccessfully treated by British medical men.

"THE HEART OF A HEBREW" To Have Metropolitan Showing

New York, Nov. 13.—The metropolitan presentation of Charles Kenmore Ulrich's playlet, "The Heart of a Hebrew," by Sidney Shepard and Company, at Harlem Opera House, Thursday, November 18, doubtless will prove an interesting vaudeville event. The sketch is said to have scored heavily en route in the West and in nearby cities, and, judging from reports received, "The Heart of a Hebrew" is one of the most unique playlets presented here in several seasons.

There are three characters in the story, these being Isidore Finkelstein, his daughter, Becky,

AGENTS' HARD SLEDDING

Small Houses Refuse To Books Acts Unless They Are Known. So Acts Loaf and Agents Kick

New York, Nov. 13.—Conditions are rapidly growing worse for the small time agent. He is finding it increasingly difficult to find a house for his acts, and agents tell The Billboard that they believe there is no relief in sight. There are several causes for this condition. Acts are plentiful; that is, acts that are either trying out, or are habitual uncertainties.

The houses are afraid to take a chance with the unknown act and the almost unknown agent, and only at a pinch will they give them a "tumble." One small time agent told The Billboard this week that he finds no profit any longer in the business and is considering surrendering to the inevitable and giving up his office which is in the Putnam Building. Another agent, who also writes acts, said that he found it so hard to get time for opening acts that he was at present not working at all on new stuff, as he has two acts that are waiting for a house. He adds that he can't get the money for the finished article that the expense warrants.

THE QUILLAN TRIO

New York, Nov. 14.—Joseph F. Quillan, father of the famous vaudeville trio, The Quillan Trio, who underwent five operations at St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia, last summer, has fully recovered. The Quillan Trio, which is composed of Mr. Quillan's three youngsters, John, Eddie and Tommie, is working successfully on the big time. The boys were formerly members of "The Rising Generation," a kid act, now making its second tour of the Pantages Circuit. The Quillan Trio is booked thru the Mark Levy offices.

SCHEME TO BANISH WOE

New York, Nov. 10.—Actresses who have elaborate vaudeville turns that require frequent changes of costume need no longer worry over the difficulty of replacing delicately tinted fabrics. Arthur Wilson, a Glasgow wool merchant, who arrived here yesterday from Europe, claims he has just perfected a new scheme for matching colors. Daniel M. Duncan, known on the stage as the "Jolly Scot," returned from a tour of Scotland on the same boat.

NEW ORLEANS MOOSE TO PRESENT VAUDE. SHOWS

New Orleans, Nov. 11.—The Loyal Order of Moose, No. 477, has appointed a committee to present vaudeville entertainments once a month in its auditorium, which is fitted up with stage and a full equipment of scenery, etc. These entertainments will be given on the first Wednesday of each month, and brothers who happen to be playing the Palace, Crescent, Orpheum and Louisiana on that date will be invited to take part.

At the meeting last night it developed that President-elect Harding is a member of the Moose and State Senator Stafford, Sam J. Hart, State supervisor of the order and a national officer in the organization, and J. W. Leigh, local correspondent of The Billboard, were appointed a committee to invite Brother President-elect Harding to visit the home here on the occasion of his visit to this city prior to sailing to the Canal Zone.

VAUDE. SITUATION GOOD IN NEW ORLEANS, SAYS BRENNEN

New Orleans, Nov. 11.—According to B. F. Brennen, the vaudeville situation in this city, and, in fact, the extreme South and Eastern Texas, is the best in the history of the theatrical business for years. Mr. Brennen claims there is a dearth of acts here, many of the movie houses which play one or two acts weekly being unable to obtain them, while many of the country houses adjacent to this city have abandoned this end of their program on account of being unable to obtain people.

The various grillrooms, cafes and the like, which usually run vaudeville for the benefit of their patrons, are up against "the labor situation." This season worse than ever before. The houses which are fortunate enough to possess sufficient people to produce musical comedy and the like guard their people jealously for fear they will be stolen.

Have you looked thru the Letter List in this issue? There may be a letter advertised for you.

and the third, a widow. The generous side of Finkelstein's character is finely brought out in a dramatic and sentimental story. Mr. Ulrich, the author, is a well-known newspaper man, novelist and scenarist, of New York. He is also a playwright, many of his plays and sketches having been presented in California and in Chicago.

DENIES ALLEGATIONS

San Francisco, Nov. 12.—Describing the charges as an attempt to force the Orpheum Circuit, Inc., to buy Utah Orpheum stock at a price above its recognized valuation, S. Laz Lansburgh, attorney for the circuit, issued a sweeping denial of allegations filed by the Utahans recently in the San Francisco Superior Court.

"The action is nothing but an attempt to make the larger corporation take over their holdings at a tremendously high figure," said Mr. Lansburgh. "It is a would-be 'holdup'."

PAN. HOUSE OPENS NOV. 24

Sale Lake City, Nov. 14.—Wednesday, November 24, has been set for the opening of Alex Pantages' palatial new house, under construction here. The local house will be an exact replica of the magnificent Los Angeles house recently opened with the exception of the entrance.

Palace, Chicago

(Reviewed Monday Matinee, November 15)

The house was well filled today and the bill of average merit, but the audience was unresponsive and, consequently, the show dragged. Sylvia Loyl and Company have a pigeon act that closes strong, is artistically set and the "company" of the male species in this case, moves the props around. The hat throwing is tiresome till the poodle, Marquis, displays skill in catching the hats. With the touch of novelty and the whirlwind finish the act qualified for a fine opener. Ten minutes, in four; three curtains.

Fred LaFrance and Joe Kennedy were placed earlier than they merited and fought the gloom of the audience bravely. Their prize fight dialog is clever and the blackface comedy deserved better than two bows after nineteen minutes.

Dainty Marie is so changed that we suspected a substitute. The last time on the Palace stage Dainty Marie fell into the footlights. She seemed shorter today, talks less, weighs as much and lacks the magnetism of Dainty Marie of old. Her nickel ring work and rope work are the specialty the act is built around. Twelve minutes.

Bert and Betty Wheeler take twenty-two minutes to do fifteen minutes of work. Bert talks confidentially with the audience and Betty sings in a wee high voice and dances and works hard. The duo singing, if a little better, would stand featuring. In one; two bows.

Frank A. Burt and Myrtle Rosedale in the familiar "Substitute" sketch. He is an eccentric dancer who plays fute enough to get by, and she plays the guitar and piano. The comedy element is well sustained, the girl natural and at ease. The dance specialty finishes big, and two bows and an encore were the reward after eighteen minutes.

George Kelly and Company, in "The Flattering World." A comedy built around the theory that once in everyone's life comes the secret longing for a stage career. By flattery the dramatic star overcomes the religious prejudice against the stage and hands out complimentary tickets to the pastor's family and followers. More literary merit than the usual run of sketches. Kelly takes himself too seriously and strives for atmosphere so hard that he is difficult to understand at times. The support is all good and the two rural types produced the fun. Twenty-six minutes; three curtains; sincere applause.

Lyons and Yesco, harp and cello, with singing and wop dialog. The act is known to every vaudeville fan and the boys got the usual applause for their genuine ability, and the harp balked for the encore, so it cut down the act to seventeen minutes, four bows, in one.

Sophie Tucker and her jazz band put over a new Ohio song, "Broadway Blues," "Some of These Days," and others. The jazz band does some work, with a suggestion of real musical worth, a colored maid does the rough stuff dancing, and Sophie runs the show the rest of the time. Recently reviewed at length in these columns. Thirty-two minutes; closed in one.

An artistic treat, a posing act in plastic marble style and with the touch of genius in its conception and thereby artistic in its presentation, held all the folks for the finish who could appreciate the serious beauty of the offering. Presented by Margaret Stewart and William Downing. Ten different poses; eight minutes.—LOUIS O. RUNNER.

Orpheum, San Francisco

(Reviewed Sunday Matinee, November 14)

Willie Hale and Brother opened the Orpheum bill today, winning with balancing on a big globe.

A film followed to make way for another full stage act, Barr Twins, the holdover.

Nate Lelpis, card expert, was baffling. He did the seemingly impossible.

The Norman J. T. Heles act, "Spirit of Mardi Gras," carried an excellent pair of girl dancers, Patsy Shelly and Grayce Blair; well mated jazz band, and the vocalists, Madge Wood and Helen Murray. The act deserved a better reception than it got. But the similarity of the numbers became monotonous to the hard opening day audience.

Marie Sabbott and George Brooks flopped with their patter, but their dance gave the act a finish.

Bert Baker and Company, altho many times here with "Prevarication," never went better. Baker had roars of laughter rolling at him from all sections of the house.

Claude and Marion, whose surname is Cleveland, were the hit of the show. Marion's comedy and her dramatic instinct won many recalls.

Gay Weadick and Flores LaDue, in the tough closing spot for a monologist and rope spinner, went like wildfire. Weadick's droll witticisms and his partner, spinning a 70 foot rope, kept up the interest so the audience remained without exception. The show being especially long, the credit to Weadick and LaDue is all the more deserved. At the close of the act the house stuck to give a hand.—STUART B. DUNBAR.

B. F. KEITH'S PALACE NEW YORK

AMERICA'S FOREMOST THEATER DEVOTED TO VAUDEVILLE
Matinee 2:00—Two Performances Daily—Evening 8:00

(Reviewed Monday Matinee, November 15)

There was a slight flurry of snow about noon today. Cold and damp side-walks resulted, but in no way kept those en route to the Palace for this matinee from packing the enclosure from pit to dome by the end of the third act and standing them up during the one following. The house was sold a few minutes before the hour scheduled for the performance, which was on time, to a rousing overture by Frederick F. Daab and his musical men, who played this number with spirit and avidity.

The booker made no mistake in the selection of the bill, and the man who arranged it is not to be criticized either. Other than a few mechanical imperfections of minor note, the two big cards undoubtedly were Joseph E. Howard and Vera Gordon, with Margaret Padula, a new comer; DeHaven and Nice, Kramer and Boyle and the Four Lamy Brothers sharing proportionate hits.

In all due credit, from opening to closing, it was vaudeville, and pity it is that the "inner circle," who direct the destiny of this temple of diversified entertainment, can not always agree that vaudeville is delectable menu, entertainment with "new names, style of acts and spotting of position."

2:03—Kinograms, with music. Opened with the Armistice Day festivities at Camp Dix, N. J., headed by General John J. Pershing, followed by a good selection of civic, aquatic and miscellaneous flashes of domestic and foreign interest, closing with a Red Cross parade.

2:13—Four Lamy Brothers, trampoline high bar casting acrobats. Three straight in full tights and a clown in grotesque Scottish makeup with chalk face. All are great catchers and flyers, introducing on this occasion new routines and pleasing comedy. The straight flyer has reached a point of certainty that places him in a class all alone among artists of this clan. This team gave the performance a wonderful start and could have been programmed as opening feature extraordinary. Several bows let the curtain down.

2:20—The Big City Four, a quartet of manly singers, got the stage in one as extra feature. They use a grand piano for no particular reason unless it is to cue the orchestra. The team is Webb, Rover, Lambert and Scanlon attired in greyish business suits, minus head pieces. Very little comedy is attempted. This is agreeable, for the fact the billing reads, "The Sweetest Singing Quartet in Vaudeville." Solos, medleys and oldtime numbers are delivered in forceful style, altho on this occasion a few minutes could have been cut, which would have resulted in this act being one of the hits of hits, despite the throat trouble of the hefty tenor. They satisfied as few four men singers of this style do in present-day vaudeville. Should they deign to individualize the costuming their picture on view would be more inviting to critical audiences.

2:38—John B. Hymer and Company, not strangers here, in the star's fantastic comedy novelty, "Tom Walker in Dixie," opened in one, with special sets in several views as the "Engagement Extraordinary." Should Mr. Hymer essay to make any special claims as an impersonator of an oldtime darky character of a superstitious nature his work could be literally torn asunder, but he is showman enough to make it a darky extravaganza, with a thrill, laughter and novelty. It's all a dream of wealth after reading Faust that causes him to kill a fresh town darky. He is put in jail. Sent to the death house in a prison to be electrocuted. He gets comedy out of every transition, awakes to find that the devil has forsaken him and that it's all been a dream. His company, having nothing to do of note but fill the story, consisted of Peter Swift, Olive Wright, Dave Walters, Richard Watson, Tom Cullen, George Davies, Ralph Jones, Frank Stansell and John Winton. The whole concoction is permeated with good darky hokum, drags a bit, but makes them howl in places and holds attention. Scored emphatically.

3:13—Charles DeHaven and Freddie Nice, the extra feature, worked in one, with a male assistant. Billed to present "Knickknacks From Musical Comedy," which turned out to be knockabout dancing exuberantly funny. They did three numbers. Nimble steppers with a most excellent conception of the ridiculous. After the entrance they are interrupted by a comedy detective, who has been following them, accusing them of robbing people of laughter, and after consulting the district attorney over the phone agrees to give them a chance to make good. Their "King Charles" children chasing balloons is a howling novelty, followed by the "Gladiators" and finishing with "Monkey Wrench" number. Stopped the show. Welcome addition to vaudeville here.

3:25—Joseph E. Howard and his revue filled the stage with sumptuous Chinese studio settings as the "Engagement De Luxe." This is programmed as the new edition of "Chin Toy," music by Mr. Howard and I. S. Kornblum, lyrics by E. Meyers," staged by Joseph E. himself. The story is about an American artist, who is trying to put forth a new idea in Parisian art circles. It is plainly and simply a singing and dancing tabloid musical comedy, in which Chinese costumes and the songs made famous by Mr. Howard predominate, incidental to which is a team of wonderful Apache dancers and a Chinese dancing pair. The cast is gorgeously costumed, as occasion demands, especially as typifying the period in which the songs were hits. The company numbers Chong and Rosie Meey, Zaza Ehrick, Adele Yost, Jack King and Sun Ki Gee. This offering stopped the going dead still. Curtains, applause, bows and flowers. Yet what more testimonial to an act, not forgetting the man who played the piano and did an impression of a female balladist of yesteryears.

3:50—Intermission, with music.

3:56—"Topics of the Day," with music, new punches and a change of style in type, got this edition over nicely.

4:02—Margaret Padula, with piano, song, whistling and personality, came on attractively gowned as the added attraction. Miss Padula made a name for herself this afternoon in a pianolog of different mein. She goes to the instrument, talks about the boys and sings to them, whistles for them, plays a medley, gets up and goes off, leaving the impression that she is an artist that knows her vaudeville audience. Bows, applause and thanks. With reticence the house lets her off.

4:15—Vera Gordon, feature de luxe, in full stage, presented "Lullaby," by Edgar Allan Wolf.

4:36—Dave Kramer and Jack Boyle, in one, extra added attraction.

4:59—Elrey Sisters, in full stage, skating artists. The last three numbers will be fully reviewed in another section of The Billboard next week.

Billed for coming week's change: Eddie Leonard, Gus Edwards' Song Revue, Louise Gunning and Henry Lewis.—WILLIAM JUDKINS HEWITT.

Majestic, Chicago

(Reviewed Monday Matinee, November 15)

The best bill that has appeared here for a long time, for fun and for cleverness.

Lorimer Hudson & Co. entertained with cleverness and agility in such a masterly manner that all that was done seemed too easy to be worth making a fuss over, until one took the second thought, then real appreciation was shown in abundance. Eight minutes that were so well spent that the audience was aroused to real enthusiasm. A great opening for a great bill.

Bartram and Saxon deserve credit for a number of things, the first being a novel start. They had the audience guessing with their first note piped. They sing a line of real songs that fit their personalities. They didn't let down a minute and kept their act up in the realm of real worth and high-grade appeal that was rewarded with that kind of appreciation. They sang for seventeen minutes without a letdown. "When You Feather Your Nest" went well, as presented by Bartram. Three bows.

Elsie Piller and Dudley Douglass offered a real novelty in the way of opening a dancing act, with singing that was meritorious. They have a wonderful line of high-class humor, clever impersonations, nifty dancing and great stage offerings from many angles. They also "feathered their nest." They have a clear vision of what real entertainment is, unusual ability and lots of pep and vivacity. That is enough for twenty-four minutes.

Jack Osterman bounded forth with an overflow of home-brewed egotism that was a great delight to a well planted forest of home folks. The exuberance of youth is the reason. He has real ability, but he gets his greatest appreciation when he reveals the inside of a suggestive mind that appeals to the animalism of humanity. He was at home with friends and got a warm reception.

Solly Ward and Co. gave one of the best one-act sketches seen in many moons. Solly Ward is an artist and his change from sentiment to humor was a genuine pleasure. Marion Murray was excellent in the sincerity of her acting and Jeanne Elliot comes in for her share of good work. The comedy was entitled "Babies," and the clean humor and human element that brought forth the laughs from the sentimental and pugilistic tendencies of the five-years-married parents was a scream. The act was in two scenes and was well received. Twenty-five minutes; three curtains.

Joe Laurie, Jr., still has the same old couple as the foil for his humor, and he takes the same liberties with age, and a pretended reverence fails to hide the cruelty that must lurk in such an offering. He doesn't need to exhibit these old people. He has too much meritorious mirthful helpfulness lurking in his own system to stoop to it. He doesn't create a sensation, as his offering is too quiet for this bill. He is really worth while, but could be more than that if he were able to get a vehicle worthy of his ability.

Annette Kellerman, with an army of assisting artists, furnished a wonderful versatile exhibition and a display of talents seldom found in one personality. Her assistants deserve great credit for much of the act's appeal. But it is a crime to waste hats when one gets as little out of the destruction, as the "original nut" tears out of a good derby. The team of Allen and Allen are poor comedians but wonderful dancers. Annette is gifted with talent and versatility and entertained with divers stunts before she came to the real realm where she reigns supreme. Her toe dancing was a real act by itself, as was her wire walking. Her dancing, which gave her opportunity for the high-kick dancing, was artistic. Her real charm was her wonderful ability in the water. Her gowns and costumes were beautiful and stunning, her personality delightful, her voice charming, with all the earmarks of culture. Somehow, her introductory remarks, which included the assumed "rough stuff" in announcement, did not seem to fit Annette. Annette Kellerman is in a place all by herself, and in high diving and every curve that comes in the curriculum of grace is a past master.

Joe Cook was really a one-man vaudeville show, and then some. He is a clever and clean comedian and real magician and juggler combined. He is the real hit of the bill, and cleans up and then does it all over again ad lib. He didn't need a forest of "plants" to sweep the audience off their seats. He worked thirteen minutes and then oozed over into the closing act.

Alexander Brothers and Evelyn were marvelously clever and did a great number of new and startling tricks. Some of their stunts were almost uncanny. Then Cook loomed up as a real part of this act, and displayed a lot more genius that was not expected. This combined two-act closing was the best and most popular closing that the writer has noted in the more than three years that he has been reviewing this bill.—FRED HIGH.

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FLO ESMOND

Charges Conspiracy

To Alienate Affections of Her Daughter, Eva Esmond—Broken-Hearted Mother To Have Assistance of Police

New York, Nov. 13.—When we called at Louis Redelsheimer's Burlesque Agency in the Columbia Theater Bldg., in quest of burlesque news, Louis handed us a letter written to him by Flo Esmond, whom he has known for the past twenty-five years as the mother of Ludivine Eva Esmond, known in her early childhood days as "Baby Esmond." Louis states he recalls the baby in long dresses when brought into his office as one of the smallest babies that he has ever seen. Since that time Louis says that he has looked the mother and baby on various occasions as "Flo Esmond and Company," later on as "Baby Esmond and Company" and still later on as "Eva Esmond" in many and various forms of theatrical presentations.

Frank Forrest, an attache of Redelsheimer's agency, further states that he worked on the same bill with Flo Esmond eighteen years ago and has always known her as the mother of "Baby Eva Esmond," and while manager of the Orpheum Theater at Scranton, Pa., played them as Flo Esmond and Company.

Mr. Redelsheimer and Mr. Forrest were so emphatic in their claims that Flo Esmond is the real mother of Eva Esmond that we requested Mr. Redelsheimer to have Mrs. Esmond in his office between the hours of 11 and 12 this morning for a personal interview, during which she produced a marriage certificate dated July 15, 1903, of the marriage of William Keir, of Chicago, to Gertrude Ryle, of Chicago, and signed by George E. Foster, Justice of the Peace, and witnessed by Abraham S. Beamich and William H. Mooney.

Mrs. Keir, for professional reasons, assumed the stage name of "Flo Esmond" and has been known as such. She claims that her daughter, known as Eva Esmond, was christened under the name of Ludivine Eva Keir at the Church of Epiphany, Second avenue and Twenty-first street, New York City, December 20, 1903, with Harry Ryle as godfather and Lillian Chester as godmother, both of whom are now dead.

Flo Esmond contends that she has supported Eva Esmond since the time of her birth, provided her with a public school education and a musical education that has qualified her as a concert pianist upon the theatrical stage. Furthermore Flo Esmond has in her possession a pass book of Hudson Trust Company, of Hoboken, N. J., to Florence Esmond, trustee for Ludivine Keir, showing deposits in 1905 to July, 1917, that, including interest, aggregate \$3,852.10. She also has in her possession a pass book issued by the North River Savings Bank, 31 W. Thirty-fourth street, New York City, issued to Flora Esmond in trust for "Baby Eva Esmond" to the amount of \$3,551.

No one could sit thru a recital of Flo Esmond's sorrow during the interview without feeling heartfelt sorrow for the woman who was sobbing her heart out with every utterance that only a real mother could feel for a departed child, and we honestly believe and agree with Flo Esmond that whoever the person or persons are who are responsible for her child's waywardness are actuated by ulterior motives, to the detriment of Eva Esmond.

The fact that Flo Esmond has taken her troubles to police headquarters, and Detective Alfred Smith has been assigned to the case, is convincing proof that Flo Esmond's claims can be substantiated and those responsible for the girl's disappearance brought to the bar of justice.—NELSE.

State of New York) ss.
County of New York) ss.

Mrs. Gertrude Keir, professionally known as "Flo Esmond," deposes and says that the foregoing statement is to the best of her knowledge and belief the truth and that she has read same.

MRS. GERTRUDE KEIR.

Sworn to before me this 13th day of Nov., 1920.
MAXWELL D. KRAMER, Notary Public.

New York, Nov. 11.—Mrs. William J. Tirk, who is also known as Bessie Simmons, writes The Billboard that she is much surprised to read in a recent issue of this paper the letter from Eva Esmond regarding her parentage. "I have known her as 'Baby' Esmond and for the past fifteen years always thought Flo was her mother, as she told us the first time they were at the house that 'Babe' was raised in an incubator in Coney Island," says Mrs. Tirk in part.

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SONG WRITERS

Expected To Form a Union

Frank Gillmore Explains Advantages of Unionism at Meeting of Representative Lyric Writers

New York, Nov. 13.—That the song writers of this city are serious in their intention to unionize was confirmed today by Frank Gillmore, executive secretary of the Actors' Equity Association. Last Monday night Mr. Gillmore, at the invitation of several representative song writers, addressed a meeting held at Keen's Chop House. Many of the best known lyric writers and composers were present and Gillmore told them just what advantage had accrued to Equity from its affiliation with the American Federation of Labor.

It was explained to the meeting that the song writers could come into the Actors' Equity Association as members under their temporary jurisdiction, staying there until they believed they were in a proper position to take out a charter in the Four As, as a separate organization or do that immediately. Up to now they have not decided which course they will adopt. It was made clear to them that if the Equity assumed temporary jurisdiction over them that they could separate themselves from its jurisdiction at any time they wished. Joseph N. Weber, the international president of the American Federation of Musicians, was also present at the meeting, but did not address it.

Feeling among the song writers seems to be in favor of unionization, with a view to the correction of alleged abuses in their craft. Many complaints have been made of these and the feeling seems to be that the only way they can be corrected is by unified action.

Another meeting will be held next week, when the matter of organization will be gone into further and a plan of action considered.

NO CHANGE IN POLICY

Gus Sun, of the vaudeville booking agency bearing his name, has issued an emphatic denial of the assertion of an Eastern theatrical paper that the Rivoli Theater, Toledo, would change its present policy of vaudeville to motion pictures. There is to be no change of policy, Mr. Sun asserts.

IVY CUNNINGHAM ILL

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 12.—Ivy Cunningham, sister of Flo Cunningham, of the team of Cunningham and Ford, who is playing here this week with Frank Dobson and His Sirens at the Orpheum, has been taken ill and will leave at once for Milwaukee. Serious illness developed from a leaking tonsil. She will undergo treatment in Milwaukee.

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BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ERNEST C. ROLLS

J. B. Mulholland, well-known theatrical manager, has applied for receiving order in bankruptcy against Ernest C. Rolls on a debt of \$5,000. Rolls' financial affairs have been shaky for some time and his liabilities are estimated at \$400,000. Rolls asserts that but for Mulholland's action he could have gotten \$3,000.

CONFERENCE AT ROTTERDAM FEBRUARY 13-15

The international conference of vaudeville artists will be held in Rotterdam February 13, 14 and 15, as passport facilities are easier in Holland. It is hoped that an American Artists' Federation delegate can attend.

PEACE BETWEEN STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MANAGERS IN SIGHT

Peaceful negotiations are now proceeding between the National Association of Theatrical Employees and all London managers regarding new wage conditions. The stage crews and ushers demand payment per hour instead of per show.

ACTORS' ASSOCIATION STAYS OUT OF E. N. I. C.

As foreshadowed, the Actors' Association has rejected friendly overtures to rejoin the Entertainments' National Industrial Council, thus driving itself into wilderness. Unless the West End Managers, the T. M. A. and the A. T. M. use this secession as an excuse to bust the Entertainments' Federation, the Amalgamated Musicians' Union and the National Association of Theatrical Employees will receive two extra seats on the general council and the Variety Artists' Federation and the National Association of Theatrical Employees will get one extra seat each on the Executive Council. The Actors' Association has taken the selfish point of view, not considering the industry as a whole.

A. E. GEORGE SUCCUMBS TO BRONCHITIS

A. E. George, well-known actor, died of bronchitis on November 10 after a three weeks' illness. He first appeared with Benson's Shakespearean company in 1880. He also played the lead in "The Crimson Alibi" at the Strand Theater last winter. He was with Moscovitch's "The Great Lover" at the time of his death.

FINANCING BEECHAM OPERA COMPANY

Members of the Beecham Opera Company have formed a commonwealth to defray the expenses of a provincial tour. The citizens of Manchester, Glasgow and Birmingham are also guaranteeing \$30,000, each town. It has been suggested that Beecham should boldly ask the general public for one million dollars, first with the idea of putting the existing company on a firmer basis; secondly, for extending and expanding the policy of producing opera in English.

"WHIRLIGIG" CLOSING

"Whirligig" closes at the Palace Theater November 27, and the house will remain dark for alterations.

Sol Levy, stock magnate, of Birmingham, is inviting the public to invest \$1,375,000 in \$5 shares to run the Palace. Lord Lurgan is the chairman, but Sol and Alfred Levy will control. The proposed policy will be three distinct shows daily, consisting of pictures with an entr'acte. Example: Suppose there's a film story laid in Paris and New York. At the end of the Paris episode they stage an act with humans placed in New York, lasting about forty minutes, which, while having a bearing, on the film, will amplify it. Anyway that's Sol's dope for pressmen.

DECOURVILLE WRITING BOOK

Albert DeCourville is away to Sicily and says he is writing a book, entitled "Ten Years of Revue."

"THE ROMANTIC AGE" SUPPLANTS "WEDDING BELLS"

"Wedding Bells," with Gladys Cooper and Owen Nares, closes at the Playhouse today, allowing Arthur Wontner, with "The Romantic Age," to transfer there November 15.

"LUCK OF THE NAVY" FLOPS

Percy Hutchinson flopped badly in the revival of "Luck of the Navy," which closes today at Queen's Theater. "The Right to Strike" opens there on November 15.

"THE STORM" SUCCEEDS "VILLA ROSA"

"Villa Rosa" closes at the Strand Theater today. Arthur Bouchier will produce "The Storm" there soon.

THE COVENT GARDEN PANTO.

Was talking to Frank Dix the other day down at "Jones," which is built on the site of the old Hotel Providence, in Leicester Square. Here during the hours between 12:30 and 2:30 can be seen many folk of note in the legit, and vaude. worlds—managers, performers, agents, chairmen AND organizers. Dix is busy on the "book of the words" of the Cinderella show, which Arthur Collins intends doing there instead of at the "Lane," as "The Garden of Allah" is doing so well. Marie Blanche will be the Prince Charming, Kathlyn Hitchcock, who comes from the Gaiety Theater, will be the Cinderella; Mabel Green the Dandini and Harry Claff, Ed E. Ford's bosom pal, will figure as the Baron. The lyrics will be by Lee and Weston, who are well known on this side as song writers, while the music, as heretofore, will be under the direction of the "Lane's" "Master of Music," Jimmy Glover to wit.

STANLEY LOGAN TRIES ACTOR-MANAGING

"Hanky Panky John," by B. Macdonald Hastings, will be the venture by which Logan goes into the job of actor-management at the Gaiety, Manchester, on November 15 with the ultimate goal of a London production. The story, which is of a melodramatic nature, starts with a dinner party, at which the exciting discovery is made that a theft has been committed. It remains to unearth the culprit. In the company are a Baronet "too honorable even to fill his fountain pen with the hotel ink;" his adorable daughter, a "fruity" old professor, once an actor; a hunting woman, a fascinating widow, an Irish parson and last, but not least, Hanky Panky John. The play keeps you guessing as to who the guilty party is. The action takes place in several different flats. In addition to Logan the cast includes Kenneth Altamont, Ben Field, Doris Mansell, Fred Klyset, Winifred Harris, J. Brandon Thomash, Frank Hill, Townsend Whittling, Gwendoline Floyd, Norman Tharp, Lola Geriadi and Herbert Bunston.

MARTIN HARVEY FOR CANADA

This clever actor has just concluded arrangements to pay a return visit to Canada under the auspices of the Trans-Canada Syndicate. He sails on December 21 and will open at Montreal early in January, thereafter visiting all the principal cities in the Dominion. He is to be accompanied by Nita De Silva (his wife) and most of the members of his present company. Among the plays selected for presentation are "David Garrick," "The Burgomaster of Stillemonde," "The Breed of the Treshams" and "The Only Way."

SUNDAY CONCERTS AGAIN

Altho the L. C. C. grants permission for Sunday opening to vaude. houses and also to cinemas to open, the former for the concerts under the auspices of the National Sunday League and the latter to play the usual cine program, the authorities in the adjoining county, viz., Middlesex, have hitherto refused similar privileges. At the last meeting of the Middlesex County Licensing Committee to consider the applications for the granting and renewal for music, dancing, stage play, horse racing and cine licenses the matter was again brought forward. There were 554 applications for renewals and 24 new applications, and only two cases were opposed. An application that National Sunday League concerts should be permitted on Sundays at the Tottenham Palace Theater was supported by the local M. P., who moved that the County Council be recommended to grant the application. Extensively signed petitions for and against the application were presented, and deputations of supporters and opponents were in attendance. In the end the application was carried by a large majority and the whole matter will now have to wait until confirmation by the full Council, with a chance that the recommendation be turned down.

D. J. CLARKE ADDS ANOTHER TO HIS TOUR

Nearly every American act coming this side has worked for Clarke, of Birkenhead. He controls the booking of Birkenhead, Dublin, Belfast, Southampton and now of the Hippodrome, St. Helens. That's where the glass comes from, and it is also known to fame as being the town represented in Parliament by "Jimmy" Sexton, of the Dockers' Union and the author of "The Riot Act," which Arthur Bouchier often threatens to produce. Clarke is one of the most astute men in the vaude. business, and even as an independent manager hedged around with powerful competitors, he has the best performers booked up at a remunerative figure. Lauder had a long series of dates and when he was working about six or seven years ago for Clarke, his salary (booked years previously) was about \$175 per week, while he would be playing the next town for \$1,250 per week. Clarke takes the risk of booking an act up for five or eight years with the chance that the act will come along in value, and he has

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CHANGING TO VAUDEVILLE

Rox Theater at Wheeling Being Converted

Wheeling, W. Va., Nov. 12.—After having been operated as a motion picture playhouse for the last seven years, the Rex Theater, 1422 Market street, is to be converted into a vaudeville theater. This will give Wheeling two high-class vaudeville theaters, the other being the Victoria, which is now on the Keith Circuit.

The improvements are being rushed to completion. The stage will be 70 feet in length and 30 feet in width. Twelve individual dressing rooms are being installed, each equipped with running water, dressing tables and other comforts for the vaudeville artists.

The personnel of the theater will remain unchanged. George P. Zeppes will continue as director and manager; Barney Hemphill, house manager, and Fred C. Campbell, as musical director.

SHERLOCK A HAPPY HOUND

New York, Nov. 10.—One of the proudest moments of Sherlock's life is when he is given a copy of The Billboard to carry down Broadway for his master, "Doc" Frank M. Stone, vaudeville and motion picture actor. When Sherlock, the educated Dalmatian dog, was given today's copy of The Billboard he became unusually "cocky" and thought Miss Mary Bridget Williams, who sold his master the paper, did not sufficiently realize his importance. He walked past her twice and then three times, looking up at her very reproachfully as she failed to recognize him. The fourth time, however, "Mother" Williams, who sells theatrical publications at the entrance to the Putnam Building, took note of Sherlock's "act," and reaching down she gave him a pat on the head, which set his tail wagging so violently with joy that he nearly dropped his precious Billboard. Sherlock was happy once more.

McVICKER'S-RIALTO, Chicago

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Eddie Carr and Company headline the bill in McVicker's Theater for the new week. It is a comedy sketch, called "The Office Boy." The remainder of the program includes Eldridge, Barlow and Eldridge, in "A Rural Delivery"; Nakke Japs, in "Jiu-Jitsu"; Barlow, Banks and Gay, in songs; Nell O'Connell, a rosebud of song; Mystic Hanson Trio, the magical man and his magical maids; Harry Lee, in "The Manager"; Allman and Woods, in "A Family Affair"; Marriam Sisters, and Bell and Ava, in "At the Soda Fountain."

The "Telephone Tangle" heads the program in the Rialto Theater, in a snappy satire. The continuous performance also includes Coleman Goets and his piano player, offering numbers which Mr. Goets has written and popularized. Octavo, a double-voiced singer, follows. Other numbers on the bill are: Rawson and Clare, in "Just Kids"; Great Herman and Company, in "Illusions"; Berry and Nickerson, in "The Nicest Girl in Town"; Coffman and Carroll; Foot and White, in a revue of melodies and steps; Fred and Albert, gymnasts, and Sternal Duo, musical exponents.

MISS GORDON A HIT

New York, Nov. 10.—Vera Gordon has returned to vaudeville in Edgar Allan Woolf's sketch, "Lullaby." Advance response to Miss Gordon's variety engagement was so strong that the Keith offices booked the sketch at the Alhambra, as well as the Riverside, and this week she is headlining at the Royal Theater.

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VAUDEVILLE NOTES

Hartzell's Novelty Five will be located indefinitely in Orlando, Fla.

Many recall the Australian success of Madge Maitland with loud acclaim.

E. F. Albee was in Cincinnati during the past week inspecting the rebuilding of Keith's Theater.

Bobby and George Wilson, song writers and comedians, are going good in their new comedy act, "Booteology."

J. M. McCann announces that he is business representative for several vaudeville acts, with headquarters in New York.

J. Robert Wurth, manager of the North Dakota Six dance orchestra, writes that the orchestra has completed a successful tour of Canada.

The Bison City Four are playing the U. B. O. Time and scoring a solid hit everywhere. Their new comedy finish, a burlesque on the ladies' knitting club, is a riot.

Viola May, "Fanny, the Dancing Girl," with Charles King's act, "Love Letters," postcarded best wishes to the New York office of The Billboard from Springfield, Mass.

During the week of November 22 Manager Fred Valles of S. Z. Poli's Palace Theater, Hartford, Conn., will present the musical tabloid, "The Belle of the Orient," with a full cast of local talent.

D. Pascatel Maitland, known to minstrel and vaudeville fame as "Pascatel," is now associated with Faye Behrens' fashion shop in New York. Mr. Behrens is well known to the vaudeville profession as the producer of novelties.

Chappy Chapman, the blackface monologist, has "enlisted" for the season with Billy Van Allen's "Band Box Review," now playing the Alabama country. Besides his specialties, he is handling juveniles and general business.

In the future all vaudeville acts playing the Orpheum Theater, Marion, O., will be booked thru the B. F. Keith Vaudeville Exchange. In-

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The success of Ameta, Parisian mirror dancer, on the Keith Circuit, and last week at B. F. Keith's Palace, New York, recalls the work of the fire dancers of the past—Aimee, Lole and Ida Fuller, Papinta and others. This class

of skirt dancing novelty promises to return to popular favor among "bookers" and auditors.

Mrs. E. Heath, who has a number of animal acts in vaudeville, will not go on the road this season owing to poor health, but will put her acts in charge of her trainer. She has located in San Antonio, Tex., for the winter, with a

large kennel of dogs, and is breaking in two new acts.

Robert Thomas, 11 years old, who has been on the stage for several years, is playing at clubs and banquets in and around Chicago. He is a clever dancer and son of Harvey Thomas, teacher of stage dancing.

Frank Jordan writes that E. J. Moore put his act over big, with a nice line of chatter along with his tricks, at the Cataract Theater, Niagara Falls. Jordan will leave for the "Sunny" South in the near future.

Johnny Ford and his Four American Beauties, Jappie Judd, Lotta Becker, Evelyn Bennett and Ada Proctor, broke in Ford's new singing and dancing act, "Everything of 1920 Revue," at Poli's Capitol Theater, Hartford, Conn., last week and scored big.

Vic. Lauria, the popular juvenile comedian, is rehearsing an act to be presented in big-time vaudeville. The material was written by Ray V. Troy, and the dancing arranged by Walter Baker, Jean Melveaux, blackface comedian, and Francis Williams, at the piano, will assist Vic.

Dolle Brickey was grieved to learn of the sudden death of Billie Gordon, English actress, in London October 10. The deceased was a true friend to Miss Brickey during the time of her operation. Miss Brickey, who was to have been Miss Gordon's partner this season, but was delayed in sailing for England on account of a six weeks' sick spell at the Jackson Hotel, Chicago, is a clever little ingenue, of Dallas, Tex. Miss Brickey has not decided what she will do this season.

GUS SUN FEATURED

Gus Sun is no shrinking violet, but it is not often he has the opportunity and good fortune to have a whole page devoted to him in a big daily newspaper. But in the October 17 issue of The Dayton Daily News Mr. Sun is featured in a full-page story in the magazine section, with illustrations in colors. "Born To Be a Showman" is the title of the feature, which was written by Howard Burba, one of the best known newspaper feature writers in Ohio. It tells of the career of the Springfield vaudeville magnate from the time when as a "kid" he sold papers in front of the old Arcade Theater in Toledo up to the present time.

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Back From Trip Abroad

Popular Stock Manager Visits Many Points in England and France—Tells of Conditions

New York, Nov. 14.—After working industriously with his brother, Chas. E., establishing dramatic stock theaters in and about Manhattan, Harry Clay Blaney, who kissed his wife (Kitty Wolf) good-by as he boarded the Olympic, bound for London, September 18, has returned.

The globe-trotter of "Across the Pacific" fame of the good old melodramatic days came back November 12 on the Adriatic. To be up-to-date he this time came "Across the Atlantic." When he came down the gangplank attired in a French ulster and a Parisian mustache, the first one he has ever worn, he was not recognized by the army of stock managers who had left their desks to give him a return welcome.

Mr. Blaney left for Europe to recuperate and, incidentally, to search for dramatic material and new ideas that might be of interest to American stock audiences.

Mr. Blaney says: "New Yorkers boast of long theatrical runs, but in London 'Chu Chin Chow' is now in its fifth year. James M. Barrie's 'Marie Rose' is one of the current London hits, and Mathewson Long is doing splendidly in 'The Wandering Jew.' Our own Edith Day is highly successful in 'Irene' at the London Empire. In the Music Halls, Nelson Keys is introducing a big revue called 'London, Paris and New York,' while George Robey is successful in an English revue, billed as 'Johnny Jones.'"

While Mr. Blaney's sight-seeing tour thru provincial English towns and thru Scotland gave to the American stock manager much personal pleasure and introduced to him many charming theatrical acquaintances, he states the "big moments" of his enjoyable trip, aside from the sight of again seeing the Statue of Liberty at a distance upon the return voyage, were spent in France, where he renewed a former close relationship with George Bowles, who is handling motion pictures from a Paris film office. There, too, he again met Harry Pilcer, who is now the foremost American entertainer in the Casino D' Paris.

Having assisted our Government in establishing Liberty Theaters on this side for our soldier boys during war time, Mr. Blaney naturally was interested in visiting the battlefields, and while in France he found time to inspect Chateau Thierry, Fontainebleau and Verdun.

At Versailles, Mr. Blaney visited the Hall of Mirrors and sat at the table where the peace treaty was signed—the same table at which the former Kaiser was declared Emperor years ago.

Elsie Ferguson returned on the steamer with Mr. Blaney, but Richard Walton Tully, who sailed with him on the Olympic, has found pressing business on the other side and will not return for some time.

Harry Clay Blaney, upon his return to the Blaney Producing Company office, found the Blaney Circuit increased by the acquisition of two more theaters, bringing the string to six houses presenting dramatic stock.—ELMER J. WALTERS.

"ST. ELMO" ON MASSIVE SCALE

Offered by Gene Lewis-Olga Worth Co. at Beaumont, Tex.

Beaumont, Tex., Nov. 10.—The Gene Lewis-Olga Worth Stock Company, appearing at the Kyle Theater, is this week offering a massive production of "St. Elmo." This is the first of the old plays that this company has offered local theatergoers in the five years it has been appearing here, and, judging from the advance sale, many more of the old favorites will be presented. The seat sale opened on Thursday and practically the entire house was sold out for the balance of the week. Gene Lewis, in the title role, is doing excellent work, while Olga

Worth, as Edna Earl, shows to good advantage.

Pauline LeRoy, who is out of the cast this week, visited her husband, Dave Heilman, at Cleburne, Tex., who is now manager of the Yale Theater in that city. Miss LeRoy was also in Dallas, looking over the new Cycle Park Theater, which will be the summer home of this company. The theater will be completed by January 1. Mr. Heilman was also in Dallas the past week, making arrangements for Mr. Lewis for his move to Miami, Fla. The company will require two sixty-foot baggage cars and a special Pullman to make the jump.

"Here Comes the Bride" will be the offering next week, to be followed by "Forever After."

FIFTH WEEK

Of Thurston Hall Company at the Sam S. Shubert Theater, Pittsburg

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 11.—Thurston Hall and His Associate Players are this, their fifth, week presenting the comedy of crookdom, "Cheating Cheaters," at the Sam S. Shubert Theater. Mr. Hall takes the part of one of a band of "society" crooks, while May Buckley is seen in the role of the leader of the other band.

Both Miss Buckley and Mr. Hall give their usual finished interpretations of their parts, portraying equally well the manners of the denizen of "high society" and the debonair of the crook. Of the other parts, Charles Compton is particularly successful in his role of one of the thieves, intensely fearful that his chief is about to double-cross the "gang." Margaret Robinson, William Webb and Keith Macauley Ross take the parts of the other members of the band, while with Mr. Hall in the other "gang" are Lenita Leopold, Verna Tolley, Henry Ward and Robert Adolph. Miss Tolley is a new member of the company, a Pittsburg girl, who shows decided talent for interpretation. Fritz Adams has the role of the crooked lawyer who aids the thieves in their work. Cecil Magnus, who staged the play, takes the part of a detective in the last two acts.

"Fair and Warmer" is listed for next week.

SHUBERT PLAYERS

In "A Tailor-Made Man" at Milwaukee

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 13.—"A Tailor-Made Man," by Harry J. Smith, is this week's attraction at the Shubert. The story of an ambitious lad who rises in the world because of his own self-confidence is excellent entertainment and is drawing splendid audiences. In fact, business at the Shubert appears to be increasing each week.

James Blaine, as John Paul, gives a very good performance in the title role. Blaine is firmly established in Milwaukee and his work is most satisfying. Frances McHenry was charming

as Tanya. Bert Brown gave an excellent portrayal of the tempestuous Dr. Sonntag, and Oscar O'Shea was splendid as Huber, the tailor. Grace Baird stood out in the part of the talkative Mrs. Dupuy, as did Earl Jamison as Peter. Every member of the unusually large cast deserves commendation.

The direction was as usual good and the settings again prove that Manager Niggemeyer is giving his players everything to work with.

"Three Faces East" is listed for next week.—H. R.

NEW STOCK DIRECTOR

Willard Dashiell Succeeds William I. Amsdell at Albany, N. Y.

New York, Nov. 12.—M. C. Jenkins, manager of the Colonial Theater Stock Players of Albany, announces the selection of Willard Dashiell as the director of the company, to succeed William I. Amsdell. Mr. Dashiell has had long experience with stock organizations and it is expected that the change will result in improved productions. Stuart Robbins, who was popular leading man at the beginning of the season, will succeed Alexander Luce as leading man, next week, in the production of "A Pair of Queens."

PAULINE MacLEAN PLAYERS

Completing Second Month at Akron, O.

Akron, O., Nov. 10.—Rounding out their second month at Fiber & Shea's Music Hall, the Pauline MacLean Players are offering this week "Potash and Perlmutter." Francis Sayles and Edward Clarke Lilly are cast in the roles of "Potash" and "Perlmutter." The presentation of "Mrs. Jimmie Thompson," last week's offering, proved profitable for the MacLean Players. Many other recent stage successes released for stock will be presented during the next four weeks, Mr. Lilly announces.

HYATT BOOKINGS

Chicago, Nov. 13.—The Hyatt Booking Exchange reports recent bookings as follows: Bob and Ethel Hagan, Miss Wood, Peggy Kelly, Lee Pierce, all to Frank Rich's "Follow Me Girls" Company; Don Mohr to L. T. Wall's "Vampire Girls"; Leona Kelly, Billy Conrad, Grace Forbes and Pearl Schiller to Mike Kelly's "Cabaret Girls" Company; Dorothy Hagan, to Boyle Woolfolk's "Vanity Fair" Company; Julia Balk to the Milton S. Hunter Company; Frank Brooks to W. J. Bunge's "So Long, Mary" Company; Ella Holland to the Bobby Barker Musical Comedy Company. Cliff Watson and Tad De Monico to the John Bentley girl act; Lou Pierce to Miffin & Myers' "Variety Girls" Company.

WILKES PLAYERS

Now in Third Year at Denham Theater, Denver, Col.

Denver, Col., Nov. 10.—With Sunday's performance of "Peg o' My Heart," the sterling comedy by J. Hartley Manners, the Wilkes Players began their third year in the Denham Theater.

That the theater has succeeded in becoming an institution far more substantial than any of its kind heretofore located in Denver is not to be argued. Week after week the house is filled to capacity and the patronage continues to widen with every successive play.

In quest of the "inside dope" on the Denham's career an interviewer recently sought out Huron L. Blyden, director of the company, and, safely housed in Mr. Blyden's dressing room, received the information first hand.

Four of the original Wilkes players are now in the cast. They are Mr. Blyden, Georgia Knowlton, Billee Leicester and Si Condit. The theater opened under Wilkes management November 11, 1918, a very auspicious day, with Maude Fulton's play, "The Brat." Ruth Robinson and J. Anthony Smythe played the leading roles. Then followed "Nothing But the Truth" and "The Gypsy Trial" and, shortly afterward, due to the influenza epidemic, the doors were closed temporarily. Soon after the reopening George Barnes replaced Mr. Smythe as leading man and has been there ever since. Leading women come and go, but George stays on forever. He joined the organization soon enough after its premiere performance to be numbered among its charter members.

MOVEMENTS OF ACTORS

Comings and Goings of the Members of the Craft

Chicago, Nov. 10.—The "Moon Girl" Company, owned by Clyde Glasgow, of Akron, O., closed in Carlisle, Ky. Poor business is given as the reason. Lillian Ray Rose, wife of Jimmy Rose, well-known blackface comedian, is back in Chicago from a visit with her mother-in-law, in Toledo. She has signed for the rest of the season with Bentley & Clark. Peggy Evans has joined the Carmelo Show, which is touring Indiana and Ohio. "Dusty Dick" Rhodes and Lillian Hardcastle are now playing in stock, in the Superba Theater, Grand Rapids, Mich.

It is reported that the New Richmond Hotel will change hands within the next few days. This is one of the oldest theatrical hotels in the city of Chicago. The present owner was formerly the backer of the "Leave It to George" Company.

Harry J. Ashton has just completed a new girl act, called "The Wife Shop." The music is by Ernie Creech and the act is scheduled for a showing in the near future. Thad De Monico has joined Will J. Harris in his new act, "Patches," which is now playing Western Vaudeville Time. Warren and Wade will soon be seen in their new act, "The Cleaner." It will have special scenery by Bohme. The team has just finished another act on the Carrell Time.

JAMES L. MORRISEY

Organizes Company for Run in Superior, Wis.

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 11.—James L. Morrisey, former manager of the Lyceum Theater here, has organized a stock company which will present dramatic stock attractions at the Plaza Theater, Superior, Wis., during the coming winter, beginning some time this month. Mr. Morrisey, who has taken a number of Superior men into the company, has a capable cast of players engaged. Several former Duluth and Superior stock players are included.

WITH THE ACADEMY PLAYERS

Haverhill, Mass., Nov. 13.—George Cohan's big success of last season, "A Prince There Was," is being capably offered by the Academy Players this week. It is doubtful if a more pleasing play could possibly be secured for Armistice Week than "A Prince There Was." Walter Gilbert, Ione Magrane, James J. Hayden, Betty Browne, Carl Jackson, Jane Gilroy, Arthur Buchanan, Bessie Warren, William Hennessey, Evelyn La Telle and Carroll Daly are all seen in congenial parts.

Following on the heels of "A Prince There Was" the management has secured "The Cavo Girl," which will be offered for the first time in stock next week at the Academy.

VIRGINIA BRISSAC TO REST

Leading Lady Going to Los Angeles

San Diego, Cal., Nov. 10.—Virginia Brissac, leading woman of her own company, is leaving for a short vacation in Los Angeles. During her absence Inez Ragan, who has just completed an engagement with the Alcazar Stock Company of San Francisco, will take her place. Miss Ragan will be featured in one of Al Woods' latest farces in a Broadway, New York, theater about the first of the year.

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"EQUITY SHOP"

Is Chief Subject of Discussion at Equity Meeting Held Sunday—Emerson, Gillmore and Cope Speak

New York, Nov. 15.—The meeting of the Actors' Equity Association at the Hotel Astor yesterday was called to order at 2:30 o'clock, with about 1,200 present. John Emerson presided and on the platform were Frank Gillmore, Bruce McCrea, Paul Dullzell, Mrs. Thomas Whiffen, Grant Stewart, Florence Reed, Harry O. Browne, Echlin Geyer, George Stuart Christie, Richie Ling, George Ailiss, Paul Turner and John Cope. John Emerson, Frank Gillmore and John Cope were the speakers.

Mr. Emerson gave an exhaustive explanation of the Equity Shop. He pointed out its advantages, the plan of operation and explained wherein it differed from the conception of it which has been spread by managerial propagandists. Emerson pointed out that it would not affect the members of the Producing Managers' Association, the rest being independents. He said that two weeks ago of all shows on Broadway twenty-two productions were owned by members of the P. M. A. and twenty-one by nonmembers. He said that today shows on Broadway were only about fifty-five per cent P. M. A. owned, the remainder being independent. He stated that of all the managers in the country seventy per cent were independent.

Mr. Emerson paid his respects to a theatrical trade paper that once wore a green cover, made some cutting remarks about the way Equity news was handled, in which he met with great approval from the audience.

All thru Mr. Emerson's speech he made it plain that the Equity Shop members of Equity could only work with other members of the organization in the same company. That the manager had the option of either casting a show with all Equity members or all nonmembers. He said that if the referendum which would be taken shortly was in favor of putting Equity Shop thru this is what members would have to do, and he hoped the plan would carry.

Frank Gillmore said that if Equity Shop was in operation it would mean the absolute and entire obliteration of the Fidoes. He said all Fidoes in the case would be the rallying point for the disgruntled in case of another crisis. Gillmore gave a resume of the happenings of last year. He touched upon the matter of layoffs for companies on account of congestion of bookings, and stated that on this point it might be better to stand a little hardship temporarily and hold on to what the association had gained, than to give away something before they found out what they were giving away. He spoke of the extra matinee money gained for actors with the Equity contract and said that the manager of attractions at the Bronx Opera House on election week posted an ironical notice to the effect that regular matinees would be played on Wednesday and Saturday and "Equity Benefit" would be given on election day. This got a big laugh from the meeting.

John Cope spoke in a humorous vein for a short while and then discussion was permitted from the floor. A man named Tony Williams arose and talked about the Equity Shop, and in the course of his remarks said that every actor in vaudeville was satisfied with conditions in that field. This got the biggest laugh of the afternoon, and there were cries of "Sit down" from all over the house. The vast majority of the speakers were in favor of the Equity Shop. A question was asked from the floor as to what provision was being made for colored actors. Frank Gillmore stated that there were several who were members in good standing in the Actors' Equity Association. Said Equity wanted them to join, that there was absolutely no bar to color; all that was

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necessary was that they be bona fide actors. He said that if colored actors wanted it they could form their own branch, order their own charter and with their own leaders, but that until they felt they wanted to do that they would come into Equity in exactly the same manner as all actors. This received great applause from the meeting.

A question was asked from the floor about actor-managers who were not members of Equity and how Equity Shop would affect them. The point was taken that the public wanted certain of them, and public sympathy might be alienated from Equity if its members were not allowed to perform with them and they could not appear. It was answered that that matter was under serious consideration and a plan would be worked out without doubt that would take care of this situation and still allow these actor-managers to appear. The suggestion was made from the floor that they be given permits from Equity to allow members to play with them.

At the conclusion of the meeting the members signed a statement as to whether they were in favor of the Equity Shop or not. Of 1,200 members present only three registered disapproval of the plan. The meeting was overwhelmingly in favor of the Equity Shop, and reports from the road indicate that when the vote is taken returns will be decidedly in favor of it. The meeting adjourned at 5:45.

ADAMSES IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Nov. 13.—Andy and Jennie Adams were Billboard callers this week. They reported a pleasant season with one of Frank Cloud's shows, and have been re-engaged for next season with the same organization. They will be here for the holidays in their own home, 4723 West Superior street.

LEADING MAN RECOVERS

The Manhattan Society Players, who were forced to close for three days at Pleasantville, N. J., recently, owing to the serious illness of their leading man, Palmer E. Wheeland, are now hitting their former stride. Mr. Wheeland has resumed work, altho he is still under the care of a widely known specialist.

JOIN BLANEY PLAYERS

Stanley M. Andrews and Frances Gregg are reported to be with the Blaney Players at the Gotham Theater, New York, having opened there the week of October 18 in "9:45."

INITIAL CONCERT OF SEASON

Given by Society of Friends of Music a Success

New York, Nov. 15.—At the Cort Theater the afternoon of November 14 was given the first concert of the season by the Society of Friends of Music with an exceptionally interesting program offered by Harold Bauer, George Barrere, Samuel Gardner, Ernest Hoffman and selected members of the New York Symphony Society. The concert as planned by Mr. Bauer was an historical and educational event. All piano forte music was played by Mr. Bauer, who afforded the large audience rare enjoyment thru his masterly interpretation of the compositions. Bach's Concerto in D, played by Mr. Bauer, Samuel Gardner, George Barrere and members of the orchestra, was given most artistically.

DISABLED SOLDIERS

Are Tendered Benefit at Booth Theater—Large Sum Realized

New York, Nov. 15.—Last night a benefit was held at the Booth Theater here under the direction of Harry Mountford for the National Disabled Soldiers' League. The house was crowded and a large sum of money was raised. Tickets for the orchestra sold for ten dollars and war tax; boxes, \$200.

Harry Mountford started the proceedings by an address stating that the entertainment was in good hands, with James William FitzPatrick, who would be remembered by all who were in the Meuse-Argonne offensive with the 18th Infantry, and William P. Conley, in charge of entertainment for the Knights of Columbus in France. James Williams introduced the acts, comprised of the Havelocks; Miss Oryan, sister of Brigadier General Oryan, who did a protean act; Lillian McNeill and Bert Shadow; Walter C. Kelley, Gilbert Gerard, Alan Brooks and Company, Wm. J. Kelly, Eddie Cantor, John Boyle and Lillian McNeill, Farber Sisters, Myers and Hanford and George Lemaire and Co. Addresses were made by Thomas N. Chadbourne, prominent New York lawyer, and George H. Gillin, chairman of the league. The entertainment is said to be a record for a New York benefit, as of all the acts who promised to appear only one disappointed.

Burr McIntosh auctioned off six oil paintings for over \$600. The affair is said by all concerned to have been the best benefit bill seen here in a long time.

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TWO NEW THEATERS

For New York City—Twelve-Story Office Building Also Included in Plans of Marc Klaw

New York, Nov. 15.—Marc Klaw announced today that he had signed contracts to purchase from the Astor estate a plot of ground 225x109 feet, extending from 226 to 250 West 46th street, on which he will erect two theaters and a 20-story office building. The deal approximates \$2,225,000 for the land and buildings now on it and construction contracts for the new building, plans for which have already been drawn by Eugene De Rosa.

The plot is now occupied by thirteen brownstone buildings, mostly occupied by music publishers. These include Joseph W. Stern & Co., Goodman & Rose, Stark and Cowan, Pace & Handy Music Co., and a host of smaller concerns. It is believed that these and other publishers will be tenants of the new building.

The two theaters will each seat 1,200, and will present a continuous front, as they will be built side by side. Over them will be a roof garden seating 1,500, and under them a ball seating 1,000.

According to the design the structure will be a handsome one. It will have a limestone facade, with pylons at each end, and a colonnade of twenty columns. The roof garden will be set back from the front of the building, and there will be a promenade balcony extending along the entire front of the roof. The interior of one theater will be decorated in Louis XV. style, and the other in Colonial style.

REINALD WERRENATH

Gives First Recital of Season at Carnegie Hall

New York, Nov. 15.—At Carnegie Hall the afternoon of November 1 Reinald Werrenath gave his first recital of the season before a very large audience. His program was an interesting one and given in the artistic manner which has established for this noted singer an enviable reputation. His diction was excellent and his voice rich and clear, and its tone very beautiful.

FRENCH LIGHT OPERA

To Be Presented at Belmont Theater, New York

New York, Nov. 15.—Fifteen performances of French light opera will be given on Sunday nights at the Belmont Theater, commencing December 28. A company consisting of fifteen principals and a chorus of thirty-two has been assembled in Paris and will arrive here next week.

ACCIDENT MAY PROVE FATAL

New York, Nov. 15.—Georgie Wolcott, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wolcott, both professional people, is hovering between life and death on a cot in a local hospital as the result of being crushed in an elevator accident last July. Georgie helped put over Liberty loans with his speeches in front of the New York public library and has appeared in many stage productions.

The American Play Company, Inc., of New York, has just released the comedy, "Wedding Bells," for stock.

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MYSTERY

In Murder of Actresses

Bodies of Maree Alma Ramey and Lillian Thompson Found in Chicago Park

The dead bodies of Maree Alma Ramey, stock star, and Lillian Thompson, also an actress, were found in Grant Park last night near the Yacht Club. Five men are detained by the police in connection with the case. They are James G. Meeks, assistant electrician with the Jane Cowl Company; Robert McCarthy, electrician with the same company; Silvio and Peter Citti, grocers, and James Comas, cook.

The young women had been living in the Geneva Apartments on the North Side for four weeks. The whole case appears to be shrouded in mystery. Miss Ramey is said to have made her debut in New York in 1900 with G. W. Berkeley, in "What Happened to the Gas Man." Later she played Patsy in "A Woman's Revenge" and Madge in "East Lynne," under Cora Lawton Mitchell. In 1902 Maree was Limpy Morgan in "Human Hearts," for W. E. Nankville. The same year she was Roxy Wentworth in "Grit, the Newsboy." In 1903 she appeared with Leigh Morrison Stock Company and played Chicago. She attained stardom in "St. Elmo," "The Heart of Tennessee," "Ishmael" and "Clouds and Sunshine." Then it became the Maree Ramey Players. Frank Lawler, now a vaudeville star, was Miss Ramey's leading man. Afterwards Miss Ramey went into vaudeville in an act known as Knapp, Ramey and Knapp.

Miss Thompson is said to be the daughter of John Thompson, chief engineer and hydraulic expert of the New York Hippodrome. Her stage experience has not yet been learned. Miss Ramey is said to have been married to Joseph McAree in 1919. McAree was later an electrician with the Lyman Howe travel picture shows.

All the available men in the detective bureau and the office of the chief of police are working on the case. The Ramey girl had evidently dragged herself twenty feet before she died. Her face was cut from cinders on the walk where she was lying. According to the police, both girls had cork-burns in their hair and clothing. There are no such burns in Grant Park, and the police believe the girls were murdered at some other location and their bodies brought in an automobile to Grant Park and thrown out where they were found.

RESUME ROAD TOUR

Manhattan Players To Invade New Territory

The Manhattan Players, after eleven weeks at Hershey Park, Hershey, Pa., opened their road tour at Chambersburg, Pa., September 13, with a good repertoire of plays and all new scenery. Business has been good, altho the last three weeks it has fallen considerably below the standard.

For the first time the Manhattan Players are to branch out into new territory, and every effort will be made to give productions that will bring business into the theaters.

The company includes Paul Hillis, Dick Ward, Leonard Rowe, Herschell Weiss, Al Mackaye, Frank Roberts, Marvin Whitenight, Marion Hudson, Winnie Wilmer, Helen Potter Jackson and Marie Fox.

The Manhattan Players already have several offers for the coming summer in parks, but, as yet, Mr. Hillis has not decided definitely as to what he will do.

LEONA ALFRETTE

Joins Harmount's U. T. C.

Leona Alfrette, who several weeks ago closed her summer activities with the Ed F. Weise Stock Company, is now a member of Harmount's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company. Miss Alfrette is being featured as Topsy, in addition to offering her character specialty between acts. The staff includes C. A. Harmount, manager; Geo. Harmount, stage manager; A. L. Harmount, treasurer; D. C. Harmount, band master; and Robert Brown, orchestra leader. The cast of characters, besides Miss Alfrette, are Tom McAllister, Harry Brown, Herman Hunt, Earl Wilson, Bill Willard, Sam James, Bob Robinson, Clarence

Davis, Fred Findley, C. C. Rector, May Irving, Georgia McAllister, Lillian Welch and Baby Mary Rector. The show is now in West Virginia and business is said to be good. Portsmouth, Gallipolis and Pomeroy were three exceptionally good stands in Ohio.

BACK IN SOUTH

Bettis Players Making Regular Territory

As has been their custom for many years, the Bettis Players, formerly known as the McIntosh-Bettis Players, are back in the South for the winter, covering the usual territory. The company just terminated a 10 weeks' run in Waco, Tex., where it enjoyed a profitable business. The cast includes Opal Silverton, leads; Betty Rollins, ingenue; Mrs. Hazel Payne, characters; Mrs. Walter Pruitt, general business; V. A. (Mack) McIntosh, feature comedian; Water Pruitt, general business; Dee William Baird, heavies; Claude Payne, characters, and Craddock Rule, leads and director.

"WHAT'S A THIEF"

For National Players

The National Players will play the Long Island towns shortly with "What's a Thief," a late play by Arthur Simons, said to be an unknown playwright. Mr. Simons has selected the National Players to produce the piece. The players are Eleanor Stoevel, Felicia Scholes, Elsie Wolf, Mary Reiss, Clara Murray, Arthur Simons, Edward Purvis, Leo Heaney and Director Joseph Ross. A. Edward Walker is the company manager.

EVENTFUL TOUR

Is Roberson Players' 1920 Season

George C. Roberson closed a most successful season of the Roberson Players on Sunday night, October 24, after what had been the most eventful tour in the ten years of this popular company. Opening on May 8 to capacity and in a new and fully equipped outfit, only to see it go up in flames two days later, rebuilding and opening three days later in a new outfit, from poles to stage, and continuing

throughout a season of 25 weeks without the loss of another night, is a record that any manager would be proud of.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberson (Claudia White) will spend the winter on the coast, having gone direct to Victoria, B. C., for a few weeks, then to Long Beach, Cal., for the cold months. Before leaving Mr. Roberson placed an order with A. Milo Bennett for a complete repertoire of royalty plays, including "The Rosary" and other sure-fire bills, and all territory will be protected for Mr. Roberson on all plays signed for.

The Home Zoological Arena Company, of Kansas City, is turning out one of the finest private cars ever carried by a company of this sort. The car will be 72 feet long, with a private office and compartment 12 feet long, and the balance baggage space, with a 30-foot postum made especially to carry the stage and quarter poles.

The U. S. Tent and Awning Co. is rebuilding the tent, while Becker Bros. are to furnish new and complete scenery for each play carried. —G. C. R.

FRENCH'S NEW SENSATION

Winds Up 47th Season at Brownsville, Pennsylvania

November 13 marked the closing of French's New Sensation at Brownsville, Pa. The past season goes on record as the 47th annual tour, and, according to J. W. Menke, owner and manager, 1920 has been the best season of the floating theater's career. Since opening at Brownsville April 1, last, the tour included points along the Ohio, Monongahela, Kanawha, Tennessee and Mississippi rivers, as far south as Luxora, Ark.

The Sensation has been moored in Coal Center, Pa., its regular winter quarters, where it will lay until the latter part of March, when it will open with musical comedy and vaudeville.

NUTT AT PENSACOLA

The Ed C. Nutt Comedy Company is playing an engagement in Pensacola, Fla., under canvas. It will remain there thru December, according to present plans.

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DOINGS OF CRAIG BROS.

Robt. Cook Leaves Popular Comedians

"Fine business" is the term used by Merton Craig in expressing the success of Craig Bros.' Comedians, which are now playing theaters and halls for the cold season. "The show will work south far enough to keep the autos in running condition," writes Mr. Craig. "That is the only way we can travel and pay hotel expenses, as the railroad rates are out of the question."

Robert Cook left the company several weeks ago, and is playing in a Binghamton (N. Y.) hotel. Mr. Craig is in receipt of a letter from Cook, who states that he will not troupe this winter.

TO PLAY CIRCLE STOCK

Gordon-Hays Company Being Reorganized at New Orleans

New Orleans, Nov. 12.—The Gordon-Hays Company, under the management of B. F. Brennan, is being reorganized to play circle stock in this city. The company will consist of 12 people, all first-class dramatic artists, and will present high-grade royalty pieces. Those already engaged are Morris Chopin, Mrs. Paul English, and "Happy" Gowland, comedian. Mr. Brennan says that it is his intention to make this company one of the best ever organized in New Orleans.

TENT SEASON OVER

The Wight Theater Company is back in its old territory, and, according to Hillard Wight, is doing good business. Wight Bros. closed a prosperous season under canvas at Prairie City, Ill., September 25. John Kaiser left for New York and was replaced at the piano by J. M. Mitchell. This has been the only change in the company for the winter season. A contract for a new tent is about to be closed. After closing the opera house season the company will open in Illinois under canvas early in May.

CLAYTON A VISITOR

"Circus Days of 1888" would be an appropriate title to use in relating the conversation with Harry Clayton, who was a pleasant caller at the home office of The Billboard last week. Clayton, retaining the sun-kissed complexion of mid-July, was en route to his home, 70½ E. Town Street, Columbus, O., where he will rest for the winter. He states that the J. S. Kritchfield Dramatic Company, with whom he closed as boss canvasman, general superintendent and assistant ticket taker at Washington, Ga., November 13, is getting its share of coin in the South. There remain a few dates in Georgia to be played, then the show will jump into Florida.

SPAUN FAMILY SHOW

According to records the Spaun Family Show opened its season under canvas in Southern Ohio April 1, and up to and including last week had lost but three nights. The season, they say, has been the most delightful the show has ever experienced. The show is slated to remain out two more weeks. No change in the roster has been reported.

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MRS. RAYMOND GUARD DIES

Popular Member of Brunk's Comedians Is Victim of Auto Mishap

Mrs. Raymond Guard, popular member of Brunk's Comedians, was the victim of an auto accident at Merkel, Tex., on November 1, which resulted fatally November 9, when she passed away at the Alexander Hospital, Abilene, Tex. Mrs. Guard was passing in front of a machine that had accidentally run upon the sidewalk. The driver of the machine, it is alleged, failed to reverse the gears, with the result his auto plunged forward instead of backward, crushing Mrs. Guard against an iron pillar that supported the front of a store building. The driver, in attempting to back, it is claimed, jammed his machine against her three times, crushing, it is said, her hips and back and injuring her internally. Everything was done by Mr. Brunk and other members of the company, as well as the citizens of Merkel, for her.

Large contributions poured in from the Brunk Shows, Nos. 1 and 2, which were playing nearby, and also from the Gentry Shows, with whom Mr. and Mrs. Guard were formerly associated. Many messages of condolence were received by the bereaved husband. Mrs. Guard's body was taken to Decatur, Ill., by her husband and his mother, who had been summoned, and laid to rest in the family plot in that city. Besides her husband a 12-year-old daughter survives.

"We, of Brunk's Comedians," reads a letter from the Brunk Show to The Billboard, "wish to extend our thanks to the good citizens of Merkel, Tex., for their thoughtfulness and expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness, and particularly to Mrs. Pat O'Brien, who has a heart of gold and hand every ready to extend to the needy and heavy hearted."

JOIN COOKE STOCK COMPANY

Thru Frank A. Stolle it is learned that Billy Hamilton and W. H. Clarkson have joined the Cooke Stock Company, originally known as the Lee Cooke Stock Company. They will assume the work of musical director and advance man, respectively. The Cooke Stock Company is en route thru Florida, where it has played for the past decade.

Mr. Lee and wife, Claudia De Vere, left for St. Louis, where they will organize their own company.

GETS SPEEDY RESULTS

Another letter containing comments on the results of Billboard advertising was received last week. Charles Tremaine, business manager of the Doris Dale Stock Company, which is presenting "The Swee, the Tramp and the Girl," writes in part: "Carl M. Dalton, company man-

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ager, had received telegrams in answer to his advertisement for people before The Billboard reached him in La Crosse, Wis."

SERIOUS PLAYS

Not in Favor in England at Present Time, Says Henry Arthur Jones

New York, Nov. 15.—Henry Arthur Jones, famous English playwright, arrived yesterday on the steamship Imperator. He says he is here to see Jesse Lasky, who has the production and film rights to his latest play. He also stated that he has nearly completed a play written entirely for screen production.

Mr. Jones says the English theater is not favorable for plays of serious thought at present, and it is not possible to find theaters in London for plays of this type. There is a possible great development for the film play, he thinks, and he is more interested in films than in the regular theater.

WANT ACCOUNTING

New York, Nov. 10.—Administrators of the estate of the late Timothy Hurley sued Jack Dunstan in Supreme Court yesterday for an accounting. They charge that Dunstan, who, with Hurley, operated and owned "Jack's Restaurant" on Sixth Avenue, schemed to take advantage of his partner's mental weakness and get Hurley's share of the business without paying full value. Hurley owned one-sixth of the stock of the company and Dunstan the balance.

PANIC IN THEATER

Results in Death of Six Children

New York, Nov. 15.—Six children were killed and as many injured in the Italian district yesterday when a fire broke out in the New Catherine Street Theater at 75 Catherine street. Bernard Weinberg and Max Schwartz, proprietors of the theater, and A. Tolani, janitor, were arrested on charges of manslaughter by order of an assistant district attorney. It is held that the three men were guilty of "misdemeanor resulting in manslaughter by admitting children without parents or guardians."

Tolani was taking tickets at the door a short time before the panic occurred. It has developed that nearly half the children in the audi-

WIRTH ACT OPENS

New York, Nov. 13.—The May Wirth act will open in Troy, N. Y., next Monday, and at the Alhambra, this city, Monday, November 29. The act has a full season's booking on the United Time

HEARS FROM DAUGHTER

From Metropolis, Ill., Madam Zelda writes The Billboard that she has heard from her daughter, Eleanor Warnick, for whom she made inquiry thru these columns a few weeks ago.

REJOINS "HITCHY KOO"

New York, Nov. 15.—G. P. Huntley will rejoin "Hitchy Koo, 1920," playing at the New Amsterdam Theater, tonight. The role has been played for about ten days by Laurence Grossmith.

"JOLLIES" AT EQUITY BALL

New York, Nov. 13.—An entertainment to be called the "Midnight Jollies" will be one of the features of the Actors' Equity Ball. Hassard Short will be director, and many well-known players will appear. Samuel Goldwyn, William Fox and Joseph M. Schenck are recent purchasers of boxes.

WANAMAKER'S SANTA CIRCUS

Opens With Real Circus Parade—Small But Complete Edition of the Big Reviews

New York, Nov. 15.—The Santa Circus at the Wanamaker store opened Saturday morning with a real circus parade, a small, but complete edition, of the big reviews. Elephants and other animals, a "Congress of Nations," Wild West division, congress of strange people, clowns and two rube characters bringing up the rear, were all there to entertain a vast assemblage of children. Jos. Short, last season with Ringlings, does a whiteface clown daily to amuse the kids on the toy floor, and little Helen Short, midget of the parade, is a doll come to life in the doll section. Gus Burman, lately with Jimmy Lucas, is a Santa.

GREEN ROOM CLUB TO GIVE DINNER FOR BURNSIDE

New York, Nov. 15.—The Green Room Club will give a dinner and "Revel" next Sunday night in honor of R. H. Burnside. Original plays will be presented in the Little Theater of the club house, the smallest theater in New York, in honor of the director of the biggest playhouse in the world. A record attendance is expected.

FRIARS' CLUB CELEBRATES

New York, Nov. 15.—Last night the Friars' Club celebrated "Second Annual Motion Picture Night" at the club house. More than a thousand Friars and guests were present. S. L. Rothapel was guest of honor.

MARIONETTES TO GIVE SERIES OF MATINEES

New York, Nov. 15.—Tony Sarg's Marionettes will give a series of matinees at the Punch and Judy Theater here, beginning December 13. They will be seen in an adaptation of "Rip Van Winkle," and will play thirteen performances between December 13 and 25.

The Famous Hugo Players are playing to fair business in South Dakota, after an absence of three years in that territory.

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**Famous Gilbert & Sullivan
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Bermuda Late in
December**

Thomas Phillips, an American noted for many brilliant amusement productions, has completed arrangements to present on an elaborate scale Gilbert & Sullivan's famous opera, "Pinafore," on the water at Hamilton, Bermuda, the latter part of December. Mr. Phillips stated to a *Billboard* representative from our New York office that his plans called for a full-rigged ship, the "H. M. S. Pinafore," in action, also to have a "Pinafore" day at Hamilton, at which time a general celebration of water sports will be held. In the afternoon the ship "Pinafore," with Admiral Porter in command, will come to anchor before the Princess Hotel, where she will be received by the officials and public, and will remain there until the conclusion of the water sports, when she will sail out of the harbor. At eight o'clock that evening airplanes will circle the harbor, dropping illuminating bombs displaying the Allies' colors, and from the shore searchlights will disclose the coming of "The Pinafore," which will again come to anchor before the Princess Hotel. The orchestra will begin the overture and on board the good ship "Pinafore" a company numbering about five hundred people will present the opera. Mr. Phillips plans to use local talent for the ensemble and to bring the principals from New York City. A seating capacity for ten thousand people will be arranged for and one hundred boxes, built in form of a horseshoe, will be available. At the conclusion of the opera there will be a brilliant display of fireworks, ending with the blending of the American and British flags. The performance will be given under the auspices of a local charity.

MONGER THANKS FRIENDS

**Refuses To Make Statement Concerning
Blumenthal Suit**

New York, Nov. 13.—W. Percival Monger, publicity agent, who recently became a subject of interest in connection with a hundred-thousand-dollar suit for damages and alleged libel, brought by George Blumenthal, manager of the Manhattan Opera House, refused today to give out an extended statement to *The Billboard*. He said that the matter is entirely in the hands of his attorney, Frederick J. Flynn, and that a proper statement would be made at a later date.

Mr. Monger requested *The Billboard* to convey his warmest thanks to American artists, Britishers, and particularly Hollanders and French residents who, he said, rushed to his aid on the day of his imprisonment in the Ludlow street jail. They were not allowed to communicate with him, however, he claims, as he was not allowed telephonic communication with any of his friends while incarcerated. He is living at the Allerton House and wishes to acknowledge the courtesy of this place and its interest in his behalf.

Efforts to reach Mr. Blumenthal were fruitless.

EDWIN FRANKO GOLDMAN,

**Well-Known Conductor, Again Offers
Prize for Band Composition**

Edwin Franko Goldman, well-known conductor of the Goldman Concert Band, is again offering a prize for the best composition for band by an American composer. The prize will be \$250 and the work of the winning composition will be accepted for publication by one of the foremost publishing houses in America. The composition must be written originally for band and may be in the form of an overture, grand march, suite in three short movements, or a symphonic poem. All manuscripts must be submitted in score form before April 15, 1921.

All composers desiring to submit compositions in the Goldman Prize Contest are requested to communicate with Edwin Franko Goldman, 202 Riverside Drive, New York City, for further information regarding rules of the contest. Mr. Goldman will give the prize-winning composition its first performance some time in June at

one of the Goldman band concerts given on the green at Columbia University, and the composer will be invited to conduct his own work.

FREDERIC WARREN

**Ballad Concerts To Commence in
December**

New York, Nov. 13.—Frederic Warren will present his ballad concerts at the Longacre Theater this year on Sunday afternoons. The series given last year was so successful that Mr. Warren has enlarged the plans for this year

certs the following artists are to be presented: Harold Henry, American pianist; Irene Pavloska, Ellas Breeskin, Myrna Sharlow, Mary Jordan, Otilie Schilling and John Quine and others. These artists will be assisted by the California Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Herman Heller. Messrs. Roth and Partington deserve hearty commendation for making it possible to hear these celebrated artists at a price within the reach of all, and it is one step further in affording opportunity for the general public to become familiar with the better class of music.

NEVADA VAN DER VEER AND REED MILLER



Nevada Van der Veer, contralto, and Reed Miller, tenor, of New York, are again booked for a large number of joint recitals. Both artists have appeared with many of the most celebrated orchestras and other musical organizations throughout the country, and have an enviable reputation in oratorio work. Their busy season is arranged for them.

and will present twenty-five eminent artists, among them Lorraine Wynan, Ethel Newcomb, Francis Sonnin, Mildred Graham, Cornelius Van Vliet, George Reimberr, George Reardon, Fred Patton, Mme. Ruano Bogislav and many others. The programs will cover a wide range of interesting and rarely heard, together with well known and favorite ballads, songs and folk songs from the old masters and the modern school of all countries, which will be sung, with but few exceptions, in English. The concerts will take place December 12, January 9, February 13, March 13 and April 10.

NOTED ARTISTS

**To Be Presented at California Theater,
San Francisco's Largest Motion
Picture House**

As the result of the encouragement given them in their Sunday morning concerts in the California Theater, San Francisco, Messrs. Roth and Partington have determined to present some of the world's most noted concert artists. An agreement has been made with Selby C. Oppenheimer, well-known concert manager, and through the season at the Sunday morning con-

HAROLD BAUER

**To Assist at This Week's Concerts of
Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra**

The music lovers of Cincinnati are to have an opportunity to hear Harold Bauer, celebrated pianist, as he is to be the assisting artist at this week's pair of concerts by the Symphony Orchestra at Emery Auditorium, Cincinnati. Mr. Bauer will be heard in the Mozart A Major Piano Concerto and also is to present the piano part in the D'Indy "Symphony on a Mountain Song," which Eugene Yaase has selected to replace the usual symphony number of the program.

"PASSION FLOWER"

To Be Made Into Grand Opera

It is rumored that "The Passion Flower" is to be made into grand opera immediately after Nance O'Neill ceases to play it. So great has been the success of "The Passion Flower" in dramatic form that Miss O'Neill's engagement in several large cities has had to be extended many, many times.

DIPPEL BENEFIT

**All Opera Stars in Chicago Will Join
in a Huge Testimonial**

Chicago, Nov. 13.—Andreas Dippel, who, as director of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, is said to have discovered and brought to this country the world-famed Cleofonte Campanini, who died here a year ago, is to have a testimonial. It will be held in Orchestra Hall December 3, and every grand opera star in Chicago will participate, as there will be no opera on that date. Executive Director Herbert M. Johnson, of the Chicago Opera Company, has given his consent that all of his stars will aid in the benefit.

The Dippel story, according to all reports, is almost a tragic one. With an intimate knowledge of more than 150 operas and 60 oratorios Mr. Dippel is said to have made bad financial investments and to have lost a liberal fortune. He has lately been selling life insurance in Chicago. His last venture was a combined movie and opera that he put on in the Auditorium some months ago, and which was a financial failure. It is said by those who know, or should know, that the forthcoming benefit to him will be largely a mark of the affection in which he is held by the operatic world. The benefit will be headed by Rosa Raisa and Titta Rufa.

SEVENTY MEMBERS

**Added to Society for the Publication of
American Music**

It is gratifying to learn of the growing interest throughout the country in the Society for the Publication of American Music, which is manifested in the large number of new members who have joined since July. The secretary advises that seventy members have been added since July 1, 1920, and that they represent almost every State in the country. With the exception of the State of New York Illinois is represented by the largest number of new members. It is hoped that during the remainder of 1920 many more people who are desirous of aiding the society in its excellent work in the interest of American composers will also become members, as the larger the membership the greater can be the work accomplished by the organization.

AMERICAN ARTISTS

First Soloists in Frisco Concert Course

San Francisco, Nov. 15.—The first of the series in the Colbert Concert Course programs was given the afternoon of November 14 at the Columbia Theater, with Alice Gentle, American mezzo-soprano, as soloist. Lawrence Leonard, English baritone, was also on the program. The other concerts will be given December 10, January 2, 16 and 30, February 13 and March 27, and among the artists scheduled to appear on these dates are Serge Prokofieff, Arthur Middleton, Leopold Godowsky, Max Rosen, Julia Claussen, Paul Althouse and Kathleen Parlow.

CINCINNATI CONSERVATORY

**To Present Series of Concerts in Mid-
dletown, O.**

The American Rolling Mill Company, of Middletown, O., has made arrangements whereby the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music will give eight programs of music by members of the artist faculty. The concerts will take place on Sunday afternoons, and the first one will be a lecture recital by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas James Kelley, giving interpretations of the folk songs of many countries.

**OURAINSKY-PAVLEY BALLET
COMPLETES SIX WEEKS' TOUR**

Chicago, Nov. 12.—The ballet of Sergei Ourainksy and Andreas Pavley, consisting of forty-five persons, completed a most successful tour, covering a period of six weeks. The ballet appeared in thirty-five cities, from Duluth to New Orleans, and from Cleveland to Oklahoma. Several entirely new dances, originated by Messrs. Pavley and Ourainksy, were presented for the first time on this tour, one of which was a unique ballet to the first movement of the "Unfinished Symphony" of Schubert.

FIRST CONCERT

In Franklin Course of Albany To Be Given November 24

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 15.—A splendid list of attractions comprises the Franklin subscription concert for the season 1920-1921.

IMPORTANT ROLES

Taken by Two Well-Known Concert Artists in Revival of "Erminie"

In the cast of "Erminie," which has been revived on a brilliant scale, with Francis Wilson and DeWolfe Hopper in the two principal roles,

MISCHA ELMAN

To Tour the Far East

Altho Mischa Elman, the noted violinist, had determined not to appear in concert this season,

ANNUAL CONTEST

Of Music Students Announced by Federation of Music Clubs

The National Federation of Music Clubs announces that the annual contest for piano, violin and voice is now open.

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week the soloist was Miss Estelle Carey, who has been a featured singer at the New York Strand, and other excellent artists will be presented each week.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION,

Institute of Musical Art, Announces Three Concerts

Three concerts have been announced for the benefit of the Margaret McGill Scholarship to be given by the Alumni Association of the Institute of Musical Art, New York City.

MUNICIPAL MUSIC COMMISSION

Is Appointed by Mayor of Youngstown, Ohio

Youngstown, O., Nov. 13.—To further the cause of music locally Mayor Fred J. Warnock last week appointed a Municipal Music Com-

mission to promote concert, musical and other community music events. The commission will oversee all musical programs presented in the city and will arrange community sings to be given at various times during the year.

SCHOLA CANTORUM

To Limit Programs to A Cappella Singing This Season

Kurt Schindler, the well-known director of the Schola Cantorum, of New York City, announces commencement of rehearsals for the concert to be given during the twelfth season of the organization.

CONCERT AND OPERA NOTES

The Hayden Club, of Kansas City, will give a concert at Atkin's Hall November 29.

Carrie G. Weston, a young violinist of California, is meeting with much success on her Eastern concert tour.

Sophie Braslau is to be the soloist for the concert to be given December 1 in the Philharmonic Course at New Orleans.

Jean Knowlton, of Chicago, met with great success in her costume recital given in Jacksonville, Fla., the evening of November 5.

Percy A. Grainger, celebrated pianist, is scheduled to appear in a series of recitals in Havana, and is leaving for Cuba on December 8.

The first of two recitals for violin and piano, by Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Bloch, will be given in Aeolian Hall, New York, the evening of November 22.

A Pension Fund Concert will be given by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Pierre Monteaux, Sunday afternoon, November 21, at Symphony Hall.

Toscanini will present his orchestra at Symphony Hall, Boston, Friday, January 7, and Saturday, January 8. Different programs will be presented at each concert.

Lada, the well-known American dancer, has been booked for more than 100 engagements, and her tour includes nearly every city of importance in the United States.

Michel Fokine and Vera Fokina, Russian dancers, will make their first appearance of the season in New York at the Metropolitan Opera House on December 7.

Pasquale Amato, baritone of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will be heard in Oakland, Cal., Tuesday night, December 7, and in Palo Alto the evening of December 9.

The Cleveland Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Nikolai Sokoloff, has arranged for a series of three concerts to be given in Youngstown, O., during the coming season.

Cecil Fanning, noted baritone, will be soloist at a concert to be given under the auspices of the City Federation of Women's Clubs, of Mobile, the evening of November 20.

N. Lindsay Norden, noted director of the Mendelssohn Club of Pittsburg, has been appointed director of the Reading (Pa.) Choral Society, an organization numbering 375 members.

Alta S. Hill, of North Canton, O., is appearing thru the West with Glen Ellison, baritone. Miss Hill has been prominent for several years in the musical circles of Stark County, O.

The Detroit Institute of Musical Art has added to the faculty Gustav P. Melm, who for a number of years was trumpeter of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and also director of the Heim Kenfield Band School, of Boston.

Charles Dillingham has placed the Hippodrome, New York, at the disposal of the Belleau Wood Post Veterans for a concert to be given Sunday afternoon, November 23, by the U. S. Marine Band. The veterans have also engaged Anna Fitzau as soloist.

Kneuper, is principal of the Kneuper Studios, a musical school in Chicago, and a musical critic.

After a tour of the British Isles Cecil Fanning, American baritone, will return to New York on December 2 for a recital in Aeolian Hall. Mr. Fanning gave twenty concerts in London. His program at Aeolian will include numbers by the American composers, Hageman and Vanderpool, in addition to a Schubert group.

Sixty officers of the National Federation of Music Clubs will attend the annual meeting in Akron, Ohio, this week. The meetings are being held at the home of Mrs. F. A. Sieberling, president of the Federation, and the programs will consist of addresses by leading musical authorities of the United States, concerts and sings.

A quartet of singers from the Cincinnati College of Music gave concerts in Portsmouth and Marietta, Ohio, November 10 and 11. The quartet is made up of Harriet Hegner, soprano; Augusta Litzendorf, contralto; George Rambo, tenor, and Richard Fluere, basso, and is accompanied by Frederick J. Hoffman of the College faculty.

The Chicago Operatic Company is playing engagements in the West. The artists comprising the company are John B. Miller, tenor, who formerly toured with Arthur Middleton; Mae Graves-Atkins, soprano; Rose L. Dannon, contralto; G. Magnus Schutz, bass; Amy Emerson, violinist, and Edgar A. Nelson, as pianist and accompanist.

George Dale, well known in musical circles in New York City, and who is now head of the vocal department of the School of Musical Arts at Jacksonville, Fla., is to make a concert tour of the South. He has so arranged his classes at the School of Musical Arts that half of each week will be given over to concert engagements in Southern cities.

Sasha Jacobson, young violinist, who received all of his training in New York City, appeared in recital at Carnegie Hall, New York City, November 10. His program included compositions by Tartini-Kreisler, Paganini, Wieniawski and others. The "Legende," by Wieniawski, was excellently played, and the young violinist was given enthusiastic applause.

Walter Greene, baritone, gave his second New York recital at Aeolian Hall the afternoon of November 10, and presented a program of much interest. His voice is rich in quality and was heard to particular advantage in Rupert Hughes' composition, "Cain." Mr. Greene also sang numbers by Seneca Pierce and two by Francis Moore, his accompanist.

The New York Trio, consisting of Clarence Adler, Scipione Guidi and Cornelius Van Vliet, gave the first recital of their second season in Aeolian Hall, New York, the evening of November 8. Each member of the trio is a thoro musician and their reading of compositions by Beethoven, Franck and Mendelssohn met with much favor from the audience.

"Jassie o' Mine," an American song published by the Sam Fox Publishing Company of Cleveland and New York, has been chosen as one of the feature numbers of the program of Lada, the American dancer. The costume and setting for this number will make the dance one of the distinctive offerings on Lada's programs during the entire season.

The Canton (O.) Operatic Club resumes activities this week and expects to increase its membership to such proportions as will make it the largest operatic club outside of New York City. A committee has been appointed to select the opera to be presented this season and an announcement will be made shortly and at the same time the date will be given.

Forty-eight manuscripts have been received in the contest for the Harry Harkness Flagler prizes of \$1,500 for the best two orchestral compositions by American composers. The committee of judges consists of Walter Damrosch, G. W. Chadwick, John Alden Carpenter, Franz Kneisel and Leopold Stokowski. Announcement will shortly be made of the names of the two winners.

Erik Bye, the celebrated Norwegian baritone, who has been appearing in opera in his native land for the last five years, has signed a contract with Edward E. Rice of New York City for a concert tour in the United States. Mr. Rice announces that he has arranged with Manager Rathapel, art director of the Capitol Theater, for the appearance of his artist in character from some of the popular grand operas for a period covering several weeks, commencing early in December.

On Sunday afternoon, November 7, Ethel Clark made her entrance into the musical world by giving a most interesting program at Aeolian Hall, New York. She is the possessor of a delightful soprano, sympathetic in quality. Her program consisted of French, old English and other groups, all of which were artistically interpreted and received by the audience. Her enunciation is clear and distinct, and her high tones were exceptionally well taken. Several encores were necessary. Hans Kronold, cellist, and Gilbert Spross, composer and accompanist, added greatly to the success of the recital.

SEEN AND HEARD
By NELSE

Dorothy Douglas, prima donna, will open with George Jaffe's "Joy Riders" at Newark, N. J., Monday.

Cecil Carbonell has been engaged to do a musical specialty in Barney Gerard's "Follies of the Day."

Eddie Shafer, chief executive in Barney Gerard's offices, was highly elated on Friday last to receive a score or more of photographs of Anna Propp, Sam Green, Betty Evans and Mont Kalamo, the Beautiful Hawaiian, likewise several group photos of the "Girls de Looks," which he displayed to several visitors until Harry Steppe grew green with envy and declared his intention of cashing a hundred dollar I. O. U. and having his pictures, too, for a lobby display that will make them all envious.

Dalay Le Roy, formerly of "Sam Howe's Show"—If you desire to hear from a friend at Lynchburg, send in a written request and we will forward the letter to you.

Joe Burton, after several encounters with hotels on the one-night stands while in Paterson Billie Watson's "Krausemeyer's Alley," decided the going was too uncomfortable and made his exit at Cumberland, Md., for a longer stay in New York.

Jean Smith, formerly advance agent for Peck & Jennings' "Jazz Babies," on the American Circuit, communicates that Harry Silver, musical director of the "Golden Crooks," invested in a new auto and that Mr. Murphy, the Irish-Hebrew carpenter, did likewise, with the intention of converting his car into a burlesque runabout when he hits New York. Joe Emerson, who is doing comic in the same show, is said to be exiting at Boston and will be replaced by Harry Bunell, a native of Providence. Sammy Clark, the man ahead of Rose Sydell's "London Belles," pulled off several stunts in the interest of his show that helped business considerably. The Jones Four, vocalists in the "Follies of the Day," have been transferred to the "Maids of America." Writing further, Jean desires to know the reason of Journalistic Stone's reference to "Burlap," and we opine that Arthur handed Jean that title, due to his Indian Burlap Blanket war dance at the Jackson Hotel when the bunch was in Chicago. Naughty, naughty.

They say that Ray Jones, of the Four Harmony Jacks, is negotiating for a feminine pianist to join the act and Jean Smith has recommended a Miss Bennett.

We are indebted to Jimmie Heron, formerly of burlesque, for an indispensable little booklet, with the official route and complete roster of the Walter L. Main Show, in which Jimmie is listed as treasurer of the show.

The Michiganian communicates that the "Million-Dollar Dolls" in personal appearance are all that the title of the show implies and that Reggie Martin, as "Vanity," is entirely free of that affliction, altho fully entitled to be so; Lillian Rubin, as "Coal," is as desirable as that famous product will be in zero time; Blanche Hunter, a versatile actress of ability, and we will take little Arthur's word for it until we review the show when it strikes the Casino, Brooklyn.

Ye gods, what a talkfest that must have been in Erie when those old cronies, George Lux, of the Erie Show Print, and Bob Gordon, company manager of Paterson Billie Watson's "Krausemeyer's Alley," met and discussed our oldtime meetings at the Cafe de Martin.

No, George, Frank Forrest has not the "rhenmatics," but the feminist, for he is now the selector of beauty at Louie's Agency.

WHISPERS FROM THE WHEELS

By SYDNEY WIRE

Reports from both circuits—East and West—tell of a remarkable increase in business in the past few weeks, and road managers state that the present year will probably break all previous records in the history of burlesque for gross receipts. More women are attending burlesque houses everywhere and the old prejudice is fast disappearing excepting in a few spots where the burlesque show is still regarded as an exclusively stag entertainment. The fact that more doubtful dialog and more immodest language is used on the vaudeville stages and with the blitzer Broadway musical comedies is becoming known and those who have tried burlesque for the "first time" are surprised to find an entire absence of smut and undesirable material. The elimination of smoking on the main floors of the theaters has also done much to encourage the patronage of the ladies, and with the excellent attractions which burlesque producers have been dishing up in the past few seasons a complete change has been wrought in the feeling towards burlesque as well as in the meaning of the word itself.

Tom Henry says that the oldest burlesque manager on the road to day is Ed Rosenbaum, back with Ziegfeld's "Follies." Ed was, at one time, manager of M. B. Leavitt's "Rents-

Santley Show," but Tom maintains that he is still with a burlesque show, for the "Follies" is no more or no less than a mammoth burlesque show of the modern type. How about it, critics!

"Town Scandals" made them sit up and take notice at the Columbia and burlesque critics are loud in their praise of the show, which is one of the Irons & Clamage attractions. The show played to big business during the Brooklyn engagement last week.

There are few shows with a livelier or better looking chorus than with Dave Marlon's "Snappy Snaps" and the girls got a dandy boost in Cincinnati recently when The Times-Star said: "Pretty, shapely, graceful and full of snap, the girls of the chorus did much towards the success of the show." Well, Dave Marlon always did know how to pick 'em.

The tallest girl with Dave Marlon's "Snappy Snaps" is Virginia Carson, who is just as sweet as she is willowy and dainty. Virginia is of the show girl type, and we won't be surprised to see her gracing a Winter Garden chorus before long.

There are several familiar faces with "Snappy Snaps" among the choristers and several genuine beauties. Among these we noted vivacious Alice Franklin, diminutive and dainty and last season with John Cort's "Flo Flo." Hazel Belmont, she of dark and flashing eyes who we last remember with "Bringing Up Father," and then stately Dorothy Raymond, who hails from Cincinnati and who just adores the name of Roy.

Julius Michaels is making history ahead of I. H. Herk's and Arthur Pearson's "Powder Puff Revue." Julius is one of the oldest active agents in burlesque from point of service, altho we believe there are one, or maybe two others who antedate the hustling Julius.

The Runaway Four with Dave Marlon's "Snappy Snaps" are making a terrific hit with their fast and furious acrobatic novelty, which closes the first part of the show.

"The Land of Impossibles," which is the second act of Dave Marlon's Big Show, looks like a Winter Garden production when the curtain goes up on the opening number. With an artistic setting, gorgeous wardrobe and wonderful lighting effects, the stage is a riot

of color. The ensemble singing, too, is above the average and the stage appears to be crowded with humanity.

Joseph Mahler, one of the best known as well as the oldest of Cincinnati theatrical employees, is again on the door at the Olympic. He was formerly at the People's, Standard and Gayety and prior to the war was at the Olympic. He served nearly two years at the front in France with the Rainbow Division and was decorated for gallantry on the field of action.

Tony Mazza, treasurer at the Olympic, Cincinnati, is another popular box-office man, and is a favorite with all traveling managers and agents. Tony is a mixer, and his perennial affability makes him eligible as a member of the "Regular Fellows" Club.

Irving Jones and Charles Johnson of the well-known colored comedy team of Jones and Johnson, singers, dancers and monologists, closed with Dave Marlon's "Snappy Snaps," at the Olympic, Cincinnati, November 13. The boys have gone to New York in search of vaudeville booking.

Max Samuels, for many years a theatrical concessioner at the Lafayette, the Academy and at other Buffalo theaters, is now at the Empress, Cincinnati. Max, who is a member of the T. M. A. No. 17, has an attractive stand in the lobby of the house and reports good business. Mrs. Samuels presides at the cigar counter and check room.

Nat Golden, known to his associates all over the country as "The Baron," tells of wonderful business with "Dave Marlon's Big Show." Nat says that the Marlon show is a bigger and better show than "Peek-a-Boo," but then Nat is the agent.

Met another Dave Marlon agent the other day in the person of Harry Newman, and Harry is, if anything, a stronger and more enthusiastic booster for his attraction than the inimitable Nat. Harry says that Dave Marlon's "Snappy Snaps," with Charlie Howard, is the best show on the Columbia Circuit. We haven't seen the show yet, but with Charlie Howard in the leading comedy role we are willing to believe all that its agent says of it.

Have you looked thru the Letter List in this issue? There may be a letter advertised for you.



THEATRICAL MUTUAL ASSOCIATION



Philadelphia Lodge has distributed lists of eligibles to membership in all the theaters. A campaign is on to reach the 500 membership mark in the next three months. Also 10,000 pamphlets have been printed, giving a brief outline of objects of the order, the present standing in membership, the amount of sick and death benefits paid to date, and in general the benefits a member derives from being associated with the T. M. A. These pamphlets indicate the fatiguable efforts of the officers and members of No. 3, T. M. A., to keep their lodge the ranking body in the country. Their present membership is over 400.

The treasurer of Baltimore Lodge, Graham P. Walker, and our Grand Lodge member, Chas. Revil, also of Baltimore Lodge, are to visit the Washington Lodge, to create more interest among the brethren at the Capital; apparently the members there have lulled themselves into a contented sleep.

C. C. Weber, of Cleveland Lodge, announces the death of one of the oldtimers of No. 9, T. M. A., Bro. Fred White. He was a charter member of Cleveland Lodge and held in high esteem. Was initiated February 1, 1886. He was active until the end, a brief illness taking him to that celestial lodge above for his well-earned rest. Again misfortune placed its hand on Cleveland Lodge. Bro. William Walsh, who was the stage carpenter at the Hippodrome Theater, was struck by an iron bolt, dropping from the rigging loft of the theater, the injury resulting in his death on November 8. He was an ardent admirer and worker for the order and a member of Cleveland Lodge since 1895. His untimely death leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn his sudden death.

Minneapolis Lodge has elected George C. Lawther the recording secretary of No. 30, T. M. A., A. J. Randall having taken on some new business and unable to attend to meetings as he wished to do.

Out of the obscured horizon comes a flash that all is well in Pittsburgh. William H. Torrence being the intelligent; quoting that Billie Bauer maintains his tradition of being the best dressed chap at the Davis Theater, due to the fact of being a spotlight man or projectionist, handsome and tidy, and an object

for the feminine eyes to give him the "once over" during the performances. Of course Billie is not wise to the fact a-tall. Past President A. DeArmond stopped over for a day to see the Pittsburgher on his way East, a week ago, and professes that W. H. Torrence is not misquoted. He also had the pleasure of meeting many members of Pittsburgh Lodge, most particularly our Grand Tyler, M. J. Collins, who is in the best of health and enjoying unusual prosperity. The treasurer, George Hauman, was also paid a visit at the L. A. office at 703 Penn. avenue. He, by the way, is the business agent of the I. A. Local at Pittsburgh. Dispensing with business for the day he and Torrence towed our Past Grand President about the city, showing him many sights. The trio accosted big Frank Poulson before they got very far, who, with his sonorous voice, welcomed the stranger in their midst. Frank Poulson is at the Alvin Theater, where he has been for many years. It was a regular gabfest, he wanting to know how everything is getting along, who are to be at the next convention at Toronto, who the new officers are to be, if Butler and O'Mallon of New York will be present, if there will be any refreshments served at the convention, and being assured that particular matter is being attended to Poulson drew a heavy sigh of contentment and said he will be there. And he meant it, too, for he repeatedly mentioned it. Mrs. Poulson will also attend the convention, knowing previously that she will see very little of Frank, who will be at the mercy of his T. M. A. buddies, who always return him to her in some sort of a condition. Naturally this is the course all ladies expect of their husbands, and being good fellows they wish to see their huddies have the time of their lives, which they always have. Of course the Grand President, Dan F. Pierce, of Toronto, will see to it that Bro. Poulson gets everything he wants, as Frank is very plain spoken, emphasizing in loud tones just what particular thing he wants. No. 37, T. M. A., will hold its annual election of officers in December, the nominations having taken place at the last meeting. Many new applicants will be enrolled at this meeting. The membership has increased wonderfully since the last convention, and an unusual wave of prosperity has been their lot. A large delegation from Pittsburgh will be on hand at Toronto in 1921 similar to their demonstration made at the Wheeling Convention in 1911.—E. H.

THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF The Billboard FOR 1920

will be the most notable annual edition we have ever issued, if present indications count for anything.

It will contain two hundred and thirty-two pages at least and eighty-five thousand copies will be printed, an advance of ten thousand copies over the Christmas Number of 1919.

The covers will be in four striking colors and there will be not less than one two-colored insert of four pages.

It will contain many special articles by prominent writers and authorities. Below will be found the names of most of the contributors.

BRANDER MATTHEWS

Professor of Dramatic Literature, Columbia University, widely acknowledged writer on the drama in general and undoubtedly the greatest American Shakespearean authority. Readers will remember his splendid articles in previous Special Numbers of The Billboard. The one this year is great.

LOUIS E. COOKE

the dean of Circus General Agents, a writer of great note and one of the best authorities on the "white tops" thru his many years of travel with all the "big ones." For nearly half a century he was confidential agent and manager for famous circus men. He is the author of the book "Circus Life and History."

E. M. WICKES

author of "Writing the Popular Song," the only book of its kind to be accepted by the public libraries, and who for several years has been a regular contributor of stories and articles to the prominent magazines and daily papers. His articles on songs and song writers have been reprinted by hundreds of magazines and newspapers in this country and Canada.

FRANK GILLMORE

actor, author, editor and executive secretary of the Actors' Equity Association, writes entertainingly of the accomplishments of that organization and dreams some great dreams for its future. He sanguinely sees it fostering and encouraging community theaters, and these finally leading to the establishment of the Actors' National Theater.

HARRY E. TUDOR

of The American Flying Club, The Showmen's League of America and Honorary Director of the Air Pilots' Bureau. One of the foremost and most practical authorities on the exploitation of aircraft in all possible commercial directions.

H. E. (PUNCH) WHEELER

one of the old school, who knows the business from A to Z, and the oldest active man in that line of work today. He has handled the publicity for practically every kind of show in the country, and has been in advance of many of the prominent actors of days gone by. He writes a very interesting article on the great water circus.

FRANK BACON

Author of the book "Barnstorming Days," which is to be published soon, and the star of "Lightning," one of Broadway's greatest hits (now in its third continuous year in New York), writes a very interesting article dealing with the spirit of Christmas and recalling incidents of the early days of ropeito when he toured the Coast.

SAMUEL A. SCRIBNER

the Master-Mind of Burlesque, whose indomitable will and tireless efforts have not only brought about "clean" shows, but have resulted in creating a practically new form of amusement for the better element of theatergoers. Mr. Scribner's article, "Burlesque—Past, Present and Future," will be one of the great features of the Christmas Number.

CHARLES D. ISAACSON

Mr. Isaacson is the originator of the Globe successful concerts for the people of New York City. He has directed the Globe free concerts for over four years, and that his experience has written, telling how good music may be presented thru similar concerts in other cities.

FRANK OAKES ROSE

General Stage Director for Pain's Fireworks Company Inc. and for years private secretary of Charles Fechter, the great romantic actor, deals with the Carnival at Nice, giving a graphic account and pointing out how it could be made an annual feature in many of the principal cities of this country.

FRED HIGH

Editor of the Lyceum and Chautauqua Department of The Billboard, and former Editor The Platform, author of many books on that and other subjects.

W. STEPHEN BUSH

for many years Editor of "The Moving Picture World," and author of books on "Motion Picture Censorship." Foremost in the fight against Federal censorship.

RALPH RICHARDS

one of America's leading magicians, known as Richards "The Wizard," will give his knowledge of what magic will be to the next generation and what the general public and the theaters are going to demand of the up-to-date magician in the legitimate vaudeville and lyceum fields.

EDWARD LEROY RICE

author of "Monarchs of Minstrelry," from "Daddy" Rice to date. "Anecdotes of the Actors," and who was the creator and originator of "The Man in the Bleachers" in The New York Evening World. One of America's foremost authorities whose writings have been widely copied and quoted.

RAY P. SPEER

General Manager of the Co-operative Publicity Bureau of St. Paul, who will deal with "Fairs and Publicity," in which line he is expert.

JAMES A. TINNEY

Manager of Riverview Bas. Com and Roller Bink, Chicago, writes interestingly of the progress of roller skating, going back to the latter part of the nineteenth century, when it was scarcely known in some parts of the country.

A. R. HODGE

Secretary of the National Association of Amusement Parks and assistant manager of Riverview Park, Chicago, writes interestingly on the subject of parks as a community asset.

ED. R. SALTER

press representative of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, has contributed an article on the elevation of the carnival and telling how this branch of the amusement business can be put on a still higher plane.



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MUSICAL PLAYS

A Summing Up of the Season's Results in New York City as They Affect Musical Pieces

(Concluded from last week)

"Broadway Brevities," now current at the Winter Garden, is getting a good play. This is a great house for out-of-town visitors. The show is a big one, with considerable comedy—some of which could stand a good scrubbing up—and lacking in fine voices. "Jim Jam Jems" is one of the few musical shows to reach the cut-rate list this season. It has a witless book, lacks melody, but has some first-rate artists, who make individual hits.

"Mary" caught on from its opening. There are three companies playing it thruout the country and a fourth one is in process of formation. The show has speed, a fine melodious score, including "The Love Nest," the biggest musical comedy song hit of the moment, and a capable cast. It looks good to finish the season out and then some. Business has been over the \$25,000 mark. It is said, and tickets are at a premium. This show and "Irene" look like the big musical cleanups of the season so far.

"Pitter-Patter" is getting along well at the Longacre Theater. It has the advantage of one of the few real singing voices on Broadway and a splendid comedian. These two artists, Helen Bolton and William Kent, contribute much to the success of the show. Then the piece is well staged, the numbers being particularly fine. Dave Bennett is responsible for these latter and they have come in for much favorable comment on account of their novelty.

"The Half Moon" marks a return to the school of polite musical entertainment. It is entirely without the rowdy features which have marred many of the musical shows of the past few years. The score and a marvelous orchestration are the high spots. The cast is a good one and the book tells a story. This piece strongly resembles the Gaiety Theater productions which George Edwardes used to put on and which visited this country under the Frohman banner. They were genteel entertainments built for genteel audiences and the same can be said for "The Half Moon." Business is good.

"Kissing Time" has been moved from the Lyric to the Astor Theater, and business has picked up somewhat. This piece is not doing very well from the box-office standpoint, having been listed with the "cut-rates." The score contains some pretty melodies, some of which are in great favor with the dance orchestras around town. Mabel Talliaferro and William Norris are the featured members of the cast. Miss Talliaferro is a real acquisition to the musical comedy field, but William Norris has been slighted in his part, it not being up to his ability as a funmaker.

Of the two roof shows only one is really prospering. That one is the Ziegfeld "Frollic." The shows on the Century Roof have hit the toboggan, having been on the cut-rate list for some weeks. They are due to move in a few weeks and take to the road with Eddie Cantor as the star.

Finally there is "Afgar." A review of this piece is printed on this page. It is too early to know whether this show will go over for a big hit or not. Broadway comment seems

divided as to that, but all agree that if it is not a sensation it will soon peter out. The costumes have cost Morris Gest much money to import, and these and Delysia will cause the talk—if there is any.

To sum up. Taken as a whole, the going this season has been better for musical shows than nonmusical. There have not been many failures and all those now playing on Broadway, with the exceptions noted above, are prosperous. The tendency of most of the shows has been away from the jazz and noise of former seasons. This is being hailed with glee by practically all the reviewers, and if they are reflecting the opinion of the general public it is certain that the reform will continue. Some progress has been made and more can be looked for. The best opinion is hoping that it will go much further.—G. W.

"SOME COLONEL"

Is Now in the Storehouse

New York, Nov. 10.—Opposition, combined with conditions in the South, are said to have been responsible for the closing of Richard Carle in "Some Colonel," which was routed for the season thru Middle West and Southern territory by the George H. Nicolai offices. Mr.

sprained back. Captain Fitzsimmons suffered a fractured leg. Miss Drange had intended flying to Boston to spend a few hours with Jessie Reed, of the "Ziegfeld Follies," who recently married Daniel O. Caswell.

"JIMMIE" OPENING

New York, Nov. 12.—"Jimmie," the musical show, which is destined to open the new Apollo Theater on Forty-second street, has had its premiere put forward to next Wednesday instead of Monday, as previously announced. Frances White is the star of the piece, which is being produced by Arthur Hammerstein.

CANTOR TO LEAVE GARDEN

New York, Nov. 12.—Eddie Cantor will leave "Broadway Brevities," now playing at the Winter Garden, as soon as arrangements are made for someone to play his part in the piece. It was intended that he should leave the show last Saturday night, rest at Lakewood, N. J., for a time and then start rehearsals in a revised version of the Century Roof shows in which he will be starred for a road tour.

George LeMaire wanted Eddie Buzzell to assume the Cantor role in "Brevities," but Buzzell refused unless given a raise in salary,

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Nicolai told The Billboard representative today that the show closed last Wednesday in Richmond, Va., after a seven-week struggle against heavy odds. The show opened in Springfield, Mass.

The music for "Some Colonel" was written by Victor Herbert and the play was carefully staged and expensively wardrobe. It is now in the storehouse and Mr. Nicolai says it will remain there as far as he knows. He declares the attraction didn't do so bad in some of the cities, getting as high as \$1,000 in places, but the South is not ideal at the present time for road attractions, and it was thought best to bring the show in rather than continue the fight.

which he claimed was promised him when he played the part. Buzzell originally played the role, but when Cantor joined the company Buzzell had the part taken away from him, and only did his vaudeville specialty in the show. He did this for his vaudeville salary, with the understanding that when he got his old part back he would be given an increase over this. Buzzell refused to substitute for Cantor unless this added money was forthcoming, and Cantor is remaining with the piece until the misunderstanding is cleared up. In the meantime Buzzell is playing his specialty only in the show.

ARRANGING BENEFIT

New York, Nov. 13.—Rae Selwyn is arranging and directing a benefit to be given at the Selwyn Theater on December 5 for the Vacation Association, the splendid work of which has been one of Miss Selwyn's chief interests since her appearance in her brother's production of "The Crowded Hour." Numbers already secured for the entertainment include Frank Tinney and various numbers from the "Tickle Me" Company; Florence Reed, star of "The Mirage," and some of the most rollicking numbers from "Jimmie," the musical comedy in which Frances White will open the Selwyn's new Apollo Theater on November 17.

ZIEGFELD SHOW GIRL HURT

New York, Nov. 11.—Emily Drange, 22, dancer in the Ziegfeld "Midnight Frolic" at the New Amsterdam Roof, was hurt yesterday when she started an attempted flight to Boston in a hydro-airplane. The machine, which was driven by Capt. Frank Fitzsimmons, 35, made a nose dive in a ploughed field at Kimball's lane and Flatbush avenue. Both Captain Fitzsimmons and Miss Drange were unconscious when picked up. Miss Drange escaped with a

NEW "MARY" DANCERS

New York, Nov. 12.—Lou Lockett and Edna Pierre are out of "Mary," now running here at the Knickerbocker Theater. Joe Niemyer and Elsie Gordon, who were originally with the company, have taken their places.

Tommy Nip, of Nip and O'Brien, who was to have gone with the No. 2 "Mary" company, hurt his knee this week while practicing. O'Brien will work with another partner in the show until Nip recovers.

"BAD BOY" STOPS

New York, Nov. 12.—The Southern company of "Peck's Bad Boy" has closed. W. D. Fitzgerald, who owns the show, will continue the Northern company. Mr. Fitzgerald owns the Lyric Theater, Allentown, Pa.

COCHRAN SIGNS RANDALL

New York, Nov. 12.—Charles B. Cochran, the London theatrical manager, who is now in this country on a visit, has signed Carl Randall, at present with the "Follies," on tour, for a London engagement. The contract begins with the termination of Randall's agreement with Ziegfeld and was negotiated by M. S. Bentham.

SAM BERNARD SAVES THE SHOW

When Tech. Students Cause Disturbance at Wilbur Theater, Boston

Boston, Nov. 10.—Friday night Technology students, who had bought out the house at the Wilbur Theater here, came very near stopping the show, and it was only by the decided action taken by Sam Bernard, who was playing there, that the students did not have to give up the evening's entertainment, which was part of their celebration of field day. Long before the curtain went up the students began to amuse themselves by throwing rolls of paper about the house, which left long streamers from balcony to pit. By the time the show was ready to start the house was one mass of fluttering strips of paper, with the audience shouting its college yells. That is what greeted the players at the opening of the first act, and it was difficult to even hear the orchestra. Then some one capped the climax by throwing on the stage one of the paper rolls, which passed between Sam Bernard and Miss Bordini in their song number. In an instant Mr. Bernard, with fire in his eyes, turned to the audience, and, stopping the orchestra, said: "I will allow no one to insult me or any member of my company. If you cannot show respect, which we think is due us, we will stop the show right now." The house quieted down and nothing more was thrown to the stage, altho the students continued to amuse themselves in general. At the close of the first act a handsome floral piece, tied with the Tech. colors, was presented to Miss Bordini. Sam was called for and received a wonderful reception with remarks from the students that no offense was intended. This brought Mr. Bernard back to his good nature, and during the remainder of the show many jokes about the professors at Tech. and Harvard, the students' rival, were passed out by Sam, which brought down the house, and the show finished without further trouble.

MILTON SHUSTER COMPANY

Playing Lansing, Mich.

Lansing, Mich., Nov. 11.—The Milton Shuster Musical Comedy Company has returned to the Empress Theater for another engagement, opening this week with the offering, "A Sancy Doll." This served to introduce some performers already well known here, such as Rob Robinson, Eddie Medley, Mickey Hanley and Leona Daniels.

PLAYING SOUTH

Irwin Miller's "Broadway Rastus," colored musical comedy, which played at the Lyceum Theater, Cincinnati, week of November 1, will play a long trip South, covering all of the principal cities. The company, which consists of forty people, has played many of the larger cities of the East and West and has not been closed for two years. Leon Long is ahead of the show.

MEARS PRODUCING

New York, Nov. 13.—John Henry Mears, formerly manager of the Ziegfeld "Midnight Frolic" and "The Century Midnight Whirl," announced this week that he had purchased the entire production of "The Midnight Whirl" from Morris Gest, and will send it on the road, playing the Klaw & Erlanger Time. Mr. Mears also said that he intends making several productions next season. Among them will be a musical revue, entitled "Gossips of 1921."

"IT'S UP TO YOU" CAST

New York, Nov. 12.—"It's Up To You," the musical show, which opened at Trenton, N. J., this week, under the direction of William Moore Patch, has in the cast: Douglas Leavitt, Harry Short, Rex Dantzier, Albert Sackett, Barrett Carmen, Royal Cutter, Ruth Mary Lockwood, Zella Rambeau, Ruth Oswald, Florence Hope, Florence Earle, Madeline Dare, John L. Lyons, Edward H. Wakefield, Bernice Hirsch and Frances H. Varty. The piece is a musical version of Augustin McHugh's farce, "High and Dry."

SENNETT GIRLS IN REVUE

New York, Nov. 14.—E. M. Asher, acting for Mack Sennett and A. H. Woods, has made arrangements for the presentation of a revue which will have as one of its features thirty of the original Mack Sennett Bathing Beauties. The piece will be a big musical show and the production date will be announced later. It will be called "The Mack Sennett Revue."

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CHORUS EQUITY NEWS

Eighty new members joined the Chorus Equity the past week.

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, the first meeting of the new executive committee was held. The members present were Elsie French, Kitty Kane, Adrienne Kent, Bernard Milton, Vera Bailey, Nellie Melville, William Morgan, Grace Waller and Louis Emery. Paul Dulzeli, your new executive chairman, presided. Members of the executive committee who were excused from the meeting owing to the fact that they are out of town were Violet Clarens, Bertine Farnworth, Leo La Blanc, Mollie McCabe, Edith Rook, Harry Starrett and Mae Chesterly. There was a splendid meeting and the new executive committee shows that it is going to be a very active factor in the affairs of the organization.

At this meeting it was announced that Frank Gillmore, executive chairman of the Actors' Equity, is to be the new treasurer of the Chorus Equity. The Chorus Equity is to be congratulated in having so active a friend as Mr. Gillmore has proved himself to be in even closer touch with the affairs of the organization.

A member of the Chorus Equity who was engaged in Paterson, N. J., last summer and who later left the company for two days owing to illness in her family, rejoined that company in Minneapolis. A few days ago she received her notice, to terminate in a one-night-stand town in Colorado. The manager wanted to pay her fare back to Minneapolis, claiming that she had joined the company there. A wire was sent to this company explaining that the Chorus Equity insisted that the girl be sent back to Paterson, the town in which she was engaged.

Don't forget that on January 1, 1921, the dues will be raised to twelve dollars a year, with a five-dollar initiation fee. If you pay your dues to November 1 some time before the first of the year you will not have to pay the advanced rate until next November. If you have any friends who contemplate joining, tell them to do so before January 1, and save twelve dollars.—DOROTHY BRYANT, Executive Secretary.

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Fanchon and Marco, brother and sister, wrote the words and music of this "Satires," and Jean Havez wrote the book, and no better combination could be devised. For it is not only Western in its freshness and cleanliness, but typical of California in its setting and action, which has mostly to do with the motion picture realm. Marco is one of the most versatile and accomplished artists seen here in some time, singing and dancing and playing a part

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with this "Satires" and showing himself in the role of a very capable violinist. His sister, Fanchon, is likewise very talented, for in addition to her "cast" she sings and dances and plays the piano, frequently jumping down into the orchestra pit and "jazzing it up a bit." The local papers spoke in glowing terms of the chorus. While in Kansas City Eva Clark, prima donna, received her confirmation of the medal, "Palms of Gold," bestowed upon her by the King of Belgium during his visit to San Francisco for her singing in his royal presence.

Among the principals with this entertaining show are: Arthur West, comedian; Lucile Harmon, "little glad girl," of the Mary Pickford type. Dainty De Witt, motion picture theater stenographer, whose fall from her chair in the performance never fails to get her mention in the press; Lloyd and Wells, well-known vaudeville team, blackface; John Sheehan, English comic; Al Wohlman, movie director; Muriel Stryker, dancer, presenting sensational Indian dances and also an Oriental number. Roy N. Wolf is the manager of the company, and his untiring interest and enthusiasm

MUSICAL COMEDY NOTES

"Tickle Me" has passed its hundredth performance. Olle Mack, playing a principal comedy part in "The Rainbow Girl," says he is meeting many old friends in the South. He has been a great favorite in that territory, having played it for the past fifteen seasons.

Irving Fisher will be seen in a leading role in "Sally in Our Alley." The Poiret costumes in "Afgar" are very beautiful, but not one whit more so than those in the John Murray Anderson productions of "What's in a Name" and the "Greenwich Follies of 1920."

"Always You" is back in New York, playing the "Subway Circuit." Musical comedy favorites will be well represented in the "cabaret" show at the Actors' Equity Ball, which will be held at the Hotel Astor, New York, on November 20. Several of the most prominent stars are down for specialties.

Ula Sharon and Alexis Kosloff have put a new Spanish dance in "Broadway Brevities." Dave Bennet will stage the dances of the new musical comedy which Rudolf Friml has just completed. For creative originality Mr. Bennet has no superior, judged by the dance numbers he has staged in Broadway shows now playing.

Max Scheck is to produce the dancing numbers for the new "Passing Show" which the Shuberts will present shortly. Some musical comedy dancers are selecting fine music for their specialties. Thus Margaret Severn, in "The Greenwich Village Follies," is using "The Festival of Bagdad" from the Rimsky-Korsakoff "Scheherazade" suite, for one of her dances. It is beautiful and very appropriate.

Harry Yost writes from Waterloo, Ia.: " 'Hitchy Koo,' for week of November 1-7, did \$8,140.50 on the one nights thru Kansas. Doesn't look bad, eh?" Elaine Palmer, in "The Half Moon," is one of the most graceful dancers now on Broadway. She has an easy manner, keeps her eyes on the audience and knows her business.

William Leith has been appointed stage manager of "The Half Moon." He received all his training under the veteran producer, Fred G. Latham, in Dillingham shows. Incidentally "The Half Moon" is the second Dillingham production without chorus men. The first was "The Canary." There are only six men in "The Half Moon" as against thirty-six women.

Morris Gest is one of the few managers who sends a curtain up at the advertised time. Both at "Mecca" and "Afgar" the opening was exactly on time. An attempt to rob the box-office of the Liberty Theater, New York, where "The Half Moon" is playing, was made November 7. The door of the box-office had been forced with a "jimmy," and there were other indications that crackmen had been at work. The only article found missing was the revolver belonging to Julius ("Bluch") Schleifstein, assistant treasurer of the Liberty.

You don't miss a word in "Tip-Top." Everyone in the show, from star to chorus, puts the words across the footlights so they can be understood by the whole house. Coroné Paynter, of "Hitchy-Koo," is the chairman of a committee of 400 girls in the Dillingham shows now in New York who will cooperate with the Red Cross in their forthcoming "drive."

Walter Baker, producer of stage dances, has arranged two numbers for Horace Beckett, who opens with a new John Cort production. He is also arranging a big act for Jean Molvaux, eccentric, and one for Grace Moore, now with "Hitchy Koo."

Irene has started on its second year of an unbroken run in New York. In addition it is playing to packed houses in London, Australia and New Zealand, with a South African production in sight.

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NEW PLAYS

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THE CAST—Don Juan, Jr., Irving Beebe; Cotocourl, Lupino Lane; Houbesain, Paul Irving; Dansasch, Guy Collins; Glafar, Phil M. Sheridan; Khaan, Glenn Gamble; Lord Afgar, W. H. Rawlins; Isilda, Frances Cameron; Zaydee, Alys Delysia.

Two sets of gorgeous costumes, some fair melodies, a puerile book, an amiable female star and the best acrobatic dancer on Broadway are the contributions made to dramatic art by "Afgar."

Rumor says that Morris Gest paid Uncle Sam \$38,000 duty on the Poiret costumes for this production and they look it. They are bizarre, fantastic, beautifully colored and should make a tremendous hit with the local cloak and suit trade.

But the star of the piece, notwithstanding the billing, is Lupino Lane. He is funny—when he has the chance—and a most remarkable dancer. Nip-ups, somersaults, prouets and all sorts of acrobatic feats are done by him with amazing ease while dancing. He is the unquestionable hit of the show and stopped it dead after his first dance.

Alys Delysia is a combination of Gaby Deslys and Fannie Brice. She has a strong, clear voice, especially in the upper register, and acts with intensity and is, at times, frankly vulgar. Often she strongly resembles a burlesque prima

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TABLOIDS

RUBE FERNS AND PAULINE AVIS are playing K. E. and Shubert Time with Otis Oliver's "Some Baby" Company. They will put out their musical comedy show early in the spring.

KLARK'S "LONE STAR BEAUTIES," under the management of Ed Klark, are routed thru Missouri and Oklahoma by the Cotter Vaudeville Agency. Manager Klark writes that every engagement so far has been a very pleasant one. The personnel has been increased to fifteen people, and the show has new, flashy wardrobe and scenery. One of the new features on the show is the Peerless Dancing Four.

TABLOID WAS INTRODUCED TO patrons of the Plaza Theater, Buffalo, N. Y., for the first time when Martin's "Footlight Girls" opened an engagement at that house November 7. They enjoyed packed houses, too, says Jack Weston. Harry Pepper, principal comedian, is leaving the show to join the Lessee White All-Star Minstrels. Pepper was well liked by everybody on the show and they regret his leaving.

IT WAS ERRONEOUSLY STATED IN The Billboard last week that Frank and Mary Tunney were associated with the Lord & Vernon Musical Comedy Company, now playing an all-winter stock engagement at the Sherman Theater, Moose Jaw, Sask., Can. We have been asked to contradict the statement by the Tunneys, who have been for the past fourteen weeks, and will be for the next twenty weeks, with Jay McGee's "Fan Tan Girls."

BILLY WEHLE'S "LET 'ER GO" Company moved from Burkburnett, Tex., to San Angelo for two weeks' play at the Crystal Theater, beginning November 8. Turnaway business is reported. Mr. Wehle understood that San Angelo was the select fishing spot in Texas, and for that reason took his company there, it is said. Mr. Jones, proprietor of the Crystal, accompanied Mr. Wehle on a fishing trip—now the company will stay for the third week. They evidently caught a lot of fish.

JOHN DOYLE'S MUSICAL BELL COMPANY has just concluded its two weeks' run at the Elks' Hall in Atlanta, Ga. Doyle has secured a new musical comedy bill from Harry Allen, who has assumed the burden of principal comedian. The roster includes John Doyle, manager and agent; Mrs. John Doyle, treasurer; Walter Harris, characters; Harry Allen, principal comedian; Dick Allen, comedian; Mrs. Dick Allen, prima donna, and Mrs. Harry



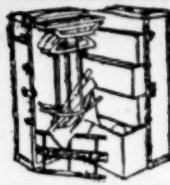
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THERE CERTAINLY IS talk in the air about the good work of the Forth & Dillinger Musical Comedy Company, which opened at the Alvin Theater, Mansfield, O., October 24. And the reports are coming from good sources. The roster includes Russ Forth, producer and comic; Allen Forth, straight; Ray Forth, comedian; Henry Carr, comedian and specialties; Bentow and Staib, specialties; Jim Dillinger, general business (and pool player), and Ida Gordon, soubret. In the chorus are: Irene Forth, Helen Dillinger, Marie Ray, Helen Seitz, Ruby Self and Pauline Smith.

MEMBERS OF THE BYRNE & BYRNE MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY were tendered a Halloween party on the stage of the Strand Theater, Aberdeen, E. D., by Mrs. Gates and Mrs. Brown, wives of the theater managers. Everything from soup to nuts was included in the menu. November 15 will mark the beginning of the eighth week at the Strand, and they

say the end is not yet in sight. Several of the old members have returned "home" again. The company played Omaha, Neb., twenty-three weeks without playing "Over the River Charlie," which they consider some record.

"THE REALART REVIEW," Don Nicholes, owner; Tom Meredith, manager, has just finished his thirtieth week on the V. O. M. C. Time and claims to have several house records to its credit. The show will go to Florida in the next two weeks for the winter. Mrs. Nicholes will visit the company when it plays Miami and Palm Beach. Mr. Meredith is producing all light comedy script bills, which are meeting with success. The cast includes Fred Lorch, Jack Pearl, Herman Kimball, Tom Meredith, Julius Kimball, Edna Meredith and May Lorch. The choristers are: Audrey and Gladys Kimball, Nellie Pearl, Billie Hatt and Grace Young.

FRED HURLEY'S "Oh, Look, Girls" played Coshocton, O., a few weeks since and are said to have established a new house record. House Manager I. S. Russell, at the close of the engagement, presented Bob Shinn, company manager, an additional sum of \$25 for doing such a wonderful business. Bob split the money equally among the members. Mr. Hurley has spent the last few weeks giving his attractions the "once over," and states that he is chockful of joy over the good showing they are making. Mr. Hurley has been very careful in his choice of managers, and they are all working overtime, endeavoring to keep up with the Hurley standard, hence nothing but good reports are being received at headquarters.

"THE KEWPIE DOLL REVUE" closed at Mason City, Ia., in order to reorganize and prepare for a tour of the Hyatt Time, reopening at Ft. Wayne, Ind., October 31. The company, now under the management of Frank Everett, has been enlarged to twenty people, and is heralded as "Tansey & Williams' Kewpie Doll Revue," featuring Marie Williams and Jimmie Tansey. The roster follows: Marie Williams, prima donna; Jimmie Tansey, straight; Steve Connelly, comedian; Don Sargent, comedian; Jack Williams, producer; Winne Tansey, characters and general business; Billy Lorraine, musical director, and Mary Adamed, solo violinist. The chorus girls are: Ida Bohn, Bobbie Richter, Anna Lang, F. Be White, Helen and Billie Beth, Bobbie Waller, Rose Winter, Ruth Swanson and Violet Dale.

THE MARIE MURPHY MUSICAL COMEDY Company is showing to packed houses in North and South Dakota, according to Manager J. E. Murphy. This marks the fourth season for the show in that section of the country. While playing Huron, S. D., Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hilton came up from Houston, Tex., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Murphy. The Hiltons were, four years ago, distinguished members of the company. The roster follows: J. E. Murphy, owner; Mrs. J. E. Murphy, treasurer; J. Franks, secretary; Bud Haggerty, property man; Frank Varo, producer; James Scully, musical director; Buddy Anderson, ingenue; Buster Brown, soubret, and Edna Varo, yodeler and leads. The chorus consists of Billy Du Mar, Gussie Block, Bobbie Long, Ethel and Violet Cortez and Edith Ryan. The show will play in the Dakotas until May.

ART LEWIS, manager of the "Palm Garden Beauties," says hello to "tabdom." The company was last week in its second week at the Majestic Theater, Evansville, Ind., with business surpassing that of the preceding week. The show is in fine shape, according to Mr. Lewis, who has added a new supply of wardrobe and scenery. "I had a very flattering offer to go to Mason City, Ia., but have decided to stay around Kentucky and Indiana until after Christmas, when we open on the Spiegelberg Time," writes Mr. Lewis. Leo Francis, the jolly little chap with the educated feet, has been added, and the Pitt Trio has been strengthened, which includes Mr. Lewis,

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By HARRY MOUNTFORD

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In this letter the actor says to me: "Can not you stop four shows a day? Is this going to continue forever? I did not know that the Keith Booking Offices booked four shows, so that I am now inclined to believe your statement that there are theatres that play five and six shows a day.

"Up to the present I have not encountered them, but after these last two weeks, anything may happen. I have been talking to one of the Managers, and he said he believed that Managers would be willing to pay pro rata for over three shows a day. What do you think of that idea?"

This matter is of so much importance that I answer this portion of the letter publicly.

I thought every Actor knew there were four shows a day played on the United Booking Office Time in certain theaters, but the Stars and Feature Acts, believing the propaganda which has been so lavishly spread amongst Actors, or, at least, pretending to believe it, got into the habit of thinking there were no four shows a day except in theatres they would never play.

The American Artistes' Federation objects to more than three shows a day, not because of the time spent in the theatre, not because of the added work, not because of any eight-hour-a-day theory or any suggestion of limitation of work, but because it is bad for the Profession, for the Actor and for the Management.

It lowers the standard of the performance. It degrades the Actor and Actress into the automaton. It kills Artistry and makes of the Poet a puppet, of the Dancer a machine and of the Artiste an assassin of all that is spirituelle, delicate and fragile. It murders Acts. No man or woman has an Act after they have played four shows a day regularly. Entertainments become vain repetition, and in four or five shows a day the Actor gives as real a performance as a Buddhist Prayer-Wheel does of a heartfelt appeal to the Almighty. (By the bye, do you know what a Buddhist Prayer-Wheel is? When one of them wishes to offer up a prayer, the prayer is written on a piece of paper, placed in a round box on an axle, the shape of a wheel, and then repeatedly revolved. The theory is the prayer can then be said many thousand times in an hour.)

That is the theory of four, five, six and seven shows a day, and naturally, by the end of the day, the performance is just as mechanical as the prayer of the wheel.

My correspondent asks me if we would be in favor of pro rata for all shows after three. My answer is, No! No! No! In the first place, for the reasons set forth above, and because with us this is not a matter of money or more money. It is a matter of degree and class of entertainment. Everybody knows that a two-a-day Act has a higher standard than a three-a-day Act, and naturally every three-a-day Act has a higher standard than four, five, six and seven-a-day Acts.

We do not oppose the four shows a day on the ground of insufficient pay or more pay. We oppose it because it is a matter of Art, a matter of the future well-being of Vaudeville and the future of Actors and Actresses.

In the second place, another reason is that there are so many spineless, weak-minded sycophants, who have no belief in their Act, who are not sure of their powers, who have no confidence in themselves or their Act, that they are willing to do anything to get work.

Actors who have Acts that they are convinced are good are the great danger in the business. They will do anything, say anything and stand for anything to get next week. In fact, in my possession is a letter, written by one Manager to another, referring to a certain Act: "This Act told me he would do anything to please the Manager, and would play even twelve shows a day if required."

This man was dependent for his work, not upon the excellence of his performance, but upon the fact that if necessary he would do twelve

shows a day, sweep out the theatre, give out the bills, flatter the Manager and bribe the Agent or anything else that was asked of him.

Therefore, if one did agree for pro rata for over three shows a day, this Actor and others like him would say they were getting paid for the extra shows, but would make a private arrangement with the Manager not to get paid for them.

In other cases the Manager would pay it for a week or two and then cease, and tell Actors: "Oh, the others don't get it." "The others do it, why shouldn't you?"

If four and five shows a day were good and were a money-making idea, then the Palace, New York, would be doing it, and Keith's, Boston and Philadelphia, etc.

If the four and five shows a day were good, then Actors would want to do them. (When I say Actors, I mean real Actors.)

No Manager would lose money by a universal no more than three shows a day policy. In fact, he would make money.

But some Managers are driven to it by the unfair competition of irresponsible, illiterate and inefficient opposition, whose only idea of a show is to open the doors and get the people's money as quickly and as often and as many times a day as possible.

My correspondent says: "Can not YOU stop four shows a day?" My answer is, that I can not stop four shows and more a day. That is up to the Actors. I can only point out the evil and show Actors how to remedy it. The Managers certainly, as a body, will never stop it, because, as my correspondent found, it is even practiced in the United Booking Offices, so that the U. B. O. can throw no stones at Marcus Loew, Pantages or any of the other chief offenders in this respect.

The way to stop it is for the Actors, the real Actors, not the gentleman who will do anything for the last three days of next week, to become members of the American Artistes' Federation, and then we can stop it, because our members can say, as many good Actors say now, that they will not play more than three shows a day, and we can insist upon it being put in the contracts.

Before that comes, of course, we shall have the sycophantic Actors and the subsidized Press shrieking that we are interfering with their "right to work." that an Actor has a right to do twelve shows a day if he wants to, that he has a right to do anything he wants to, and that it is un-American to interfere with his "right to work."

Every man has a right to work except at the sacrifice of others' rights, but no man has a right to work when that work means Artistic ruin, spiritual degradation and the final deterioration of the Profession.

There is a well-known Writer, called Herbert Kauffman, who is at present the Editor of McClure's Magazine, and in a collection of his poems appears the following, which is an abstract from a poem of his, called "The Judas":

I claim the Right to Work—
For whatever the boss will pay;
If the wage is low, why, out you go
And in I come to stay.
I've not your skill,
But I've got the will
To do as the masters say.

I claim the Right to Work—
Till my very soul is raw;
I claim the right for day and night
So long as a cent I draw;
For when you quit
I earn my bit;
So I'm for the twelve-hour law.

I claim the Right to Work—
In a shop where few may thrive;
In dust and smell, or firetrap's hell,
From five o'clock till five;
Though every breath
Is sick with death,
What matter if I'm alive?

I force the wages down?
Of the many to slave and shirk?
Although I quicken, the hundreds sicken
Amid the muck and mirk.
Well, what care I
If the workers die—
I claim the Right to Work.

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RIVIERA MUSIC CO.

Chicago, Nov. 12.—The Riviera Music Company has announced the receipt of a letter from Robert Long and Ward Perry, who are touring the Orpheum Circuit, as follows:

"We put 'Rose of China' in our act and it has been such a consistent hit that we have kept it there. It is the most popular number we are now using, audiences everywhere having shown a preference for it, and we miss our guess if it doesn't prove to be one of the big hits of the year."

Grace Duchman has been added to the staff of the Riviera Company in Chicago. She is a Kansas City girl, and will represent the company in Kansas City. Orchestrations of "Rose of China" are now ready.

WILSON PLUGGED

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Walter Wilson, manager for the Joe Morris Music Company, pulled a stunt and a-half this week. He placed Morris numbers with the "Ruberville" act in the Majestic, with William Ebs in the Palace, with the "Katzenjammer Kids" in the Victoria, with Fred Hughes in the Chateau, and with Williams & Sexton in the Academy. He got a letter of commendation from the house also.

FRISCO FOUR AT MIAMI

George L. McQuerry and his Original Frisco Four, after closing a very successful summer season in Colorado, have located with the "Greenwich Village Review," at Miami, Fla., where, they report, they are meeting with much success. After their season at Miami they will go to New York to make records for several companies.

BENNETT WITH FORSTER

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Joe Bennett, formerly professional manager for Witmark, is now connected with Forster Music Publisher, Inc., in the same capacity, under Abe Olman. These two veterans, skilled in all departments of the music publishing business, should bring vitality and prestige to the strong Forster catalog.

"BROADWAY ROSE"

New York, Nov. 14.—It is seldom that a song has become successful so quickly as "Broadway Rose," the latest ballad to emanate from the house of Fred Fisher. Tho the number has been out only a matter of days,

several hundred vaudeville acts are using it, and it is being played by all the orchestras in this vicinity. It looks as big a hit as any Fred Fisher has ever had, and that is saying a lot. Copies can be obtained from the publisher.

NEW IRISH SONG

Mrs. M. E. Henry-Ruffin, the well-known Southern writer and novelist, has written the words of a patriotic Irish song which will soon be issued by the Riviera Music Co., of Chicago. Ethwell Hanson has set Mrs. Ruffin's words to a very stirring marching air. The song is entitled "Let's Help To Set Old Ireland Free."

BERNARD'S NEW ONE

Al Bernard, known as "The Boy From Dixie," song writer and originator of "blue" songs on the phonograph, has started a new one for the Edison-Brunswick-Balke and Okeh phonograph. Bernard has just turned

out a number, entitled "My Lovin' Sing Song Man," a novelty number with a yodel. Frank Kamplain (The Southern Nightingale) yodels while Bernard sings. The number is a con song and tells of a dusky lady pleading with her man to sing. This is a great number for man and woman double. Acts desiring same write to Triangle Music Co., 145 West Forty-fifth street, New York.

MAKING EXCELLENT PROGRESS

C. S. Millsbaugh and Leo Turner report that they are making excellent progress in the song writing game. They recently placed "In the Harbor of Your Arms" with C. C. Church & Co., "My Sweetie's Eyes" with Will R. Haskins Co. and "Cuddle-Up Bay" with Walter Jacobs. They also have "Sheltering Arms," "Giggles" and "She's a Daughter of the Daughter of Rosie O'Grady," all under consideration by publishers.

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LOUISE PEARSON—"On the Shores of Tripoli," "Love Sick Blues," "Fairy Land," "Pickaninny Rose."
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Selection—"Rose of Algeria" Herbert
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ETHEL COSTELLO—"Jean," "Cuddle Uddle."
FRANK HUNTER—"Italian Rag," Specialty.
GUSSIE WHITE—"Dance o' Maun," "Dixie Made Us Jazz Band Mad," "Mummy Land," "Laughing Water."
VIRGINIA WARE—"Parisiola."
LOU TURNER AND ETHEL COSTELLO—"Hold Me," "Marion."
LOU TURNER AND FLORENCE ROTHER—"Love Light," "Opera Blues."
CLARENCE WILBUR—"Asleep in the Deep."
MARIE PARKS—Harp Solo.

B. F. KAHN'S UNION SQUARE THEATER—New York City BURLESQUE STOCK COMPANY

HATTIE BEALL—"Come Along, Carolina," "Cuddle Uddle," "Shimmie Moon."
HELEN ADAIR—"Broadway Rose," "Overland in My Overland."
MARGIE PENNETI—"Mid the Pyramids," "Star of Light."
MAE DIX—"Listen to the Band," "A Million Wonderful Boys."

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PEARL RICE—"Take Me," "Mason-Dixon Line," "Simple Simon's Party."
EVELYN PRYCE—"Venetian Moon," "Shores of Tripoli," "Rackety Koo," "My Sweetie Knows."
BILLIE GRANT AND PEARL RICE—"Cinderella."
HARRY HEFFLIN—Specialty.

REMICK NOTES

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Moody and Duncan, two of the most charming girls in vaudeville, will open on Orpheum Time December 15 in Sioux City, Ia., in a new act. Miss Moody is late of Hammond and Moody, while Miss Duncan is late of Duncan and Castle. The girls will feature "Japanese Sandman," "Don't Take Away Those Blues" and "Daisy Days," all popular numbers by the music publishing house of Jerome H. Remick & Co.

Evelyn Simmons, of Edelweiss Garden, will go to Rainbow Garden, where she will feature the Remick catalog. The Six Kirksmith Sisters, on Orpheum Time, will feature "Japanese Sandman," while Marie Nordstrom, an Orpheum headliner, is featuring "Hold Me." Redman and Wells, opening on Pantages Time in Minneapolis, will feature "Just Like a Gypsy." Blossom Seelye and Company, on Orpheum Time, are singing "Avalon," and, of course, Al Jolson, up in the Garrick, is still doing the same thing. Holt and Rosedale, the marvelous duo with McIntyre and Heath, are singing "Japanese Sandman" and "Your Eyes Have Told Me So."

Frank Magine and Art Sizemore, of the Remick staff, who wrote "Venetian Moon," have a new number, "Rose," and the orchestrations will be ready within a week.

"SOMEBODY'S EYES"

"Somebody's Eyes," a fox-trot, published by Goodman & Rose, Inc., is proving to be one of the most popular of the request numbers among the dance orchestras in New York. Leaders in the various hotels and restaurants report that they are obliged to play the number several times nightly to please their patrons. This is unusual, considering the fact that the song is comparatively new.

"SOME LITTLE BIRD"

Chicago, Nov. 12.—"Some Little Bird" is the title of the new overnight sensation published by Van Alstyne & Curtis, and it no doubt is some little song. Haven Gillespie and Lindsay McPhail wrote the words, while the music was composed by Egbert Van Alstyne, with Mr. Van Alstyne's hit style decidedly noticeable in the strain. Copies for the profession will be ready by November 15.

BRENNEN'S FIRST VENTURE

New Orleans, Nov. 13.—B. F. Brennan has purchased the latest song hit of the Universal Music Publishing Company, "You Will Be the One To Be Sorry," and in company with N. J. Clesh, writer of "I'm Sorry I Made You Cry," will market same. This is Mr. Brennan's first venture in the music business.

DASH WITH FISHER

New York, Nov. 13.—Irwin Dash, formerly of the professional staff of Felst, is now with Fred Fisher. Mr. Dash asks the Melody Mart editor to inform all and sundry of his friends that he is waiting to see and serve them.

"SOME LITTLE BIRD"

Chicago, Nov. 10.—A new ballad, "Some Little Bird," by Van Alstyne & Gillespie, will be released by the music publishing house of Van Alstyne & Curtis, Chicago publishers, within a week.

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The bang-up success that characterized the winter vaudeville tour opening of Brown's Saxophone Six at the Orpheum, Leavenworth, Kan., continues to hold true in this, their third week's engagement. C. L. Brown, for the past four seasons director of the Sells-Floto Concert Band and well-known circus man, is heading the sextet.

The act is said to be wonderfully dressed, the members appearing in satin Zouave costumes. Besides Brown there are LeRoy Barnes, McIntire, Adams, Pitts and "Rusty" Campbell, the southern blackface comedian, who "kisses a nasty silver on a mean bass saxophone."

Under the leadership of Duke Howd, Kaplan's Jazz Boys, a live bunch of real musicians, are ably holding up their end with two dolly "uptown" concerts. The big carnival, after this week's stand in Pine Bluff, Ark., will jump into the far South for the winter.

Will Stokesbury, trombonist, has joined the Billings Booth Musical Comedy.

With the temporary closing of the band on the Harrison Stock Co., Eddie See, cornetist, goes to join Ed. C. Nutt as band and orchestra leader, and O. A. Peterson leaves for Amarillo, Tex., to play in the "D. & L." Theater orchestra, which is led by Otto Liebelt.

Hugh Smathers, an excellent cornetist, and Miss Hubert, pianist, are at present members of the McSwain Theater Orchestra, Ada, Ok.

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Karl King, head of the music publishing concern that bears his name and well-known march-composer and ex-leader of the Barnum & Bailey and Sells-Floto Circus bands is now comfortably located in Ft. Dodge, Ia., to which city he recently moved from Canton, O.

Besides directing the affairs of his publishing business in the Western City, Mr. King leads the Ft. Dodge Military Band, formerly known as the 50th Regiment Band.

In Canton, King was a warm favorite in musical circles, having served with distinction as leader of the Grand Army band there. His departure was the occasion for a testimonial dinner given by his former players and the various theater orchestra members of the Ohio city. And as a further mark of appreciation Mr. King was presented with a medal.

This week registers the forty-sixth anniversary of the founding of the now famous City Cornet Band of St. John, N. B., with James Connolly the sole survivor of the original members. His work, whether in the role of private, secretary or president, is largely responsible for the high-water mark of interest maintained in the organization from the time of its infancy to the present day.

The event is to be celebrated with a concert in St. Vincent's High School Auditorium, at which Lieut. Governor Pugsley, Premier Foster, Mayor Schofield and the City Commissioners are expected to make addresses.

The Battisto Bros.' Band, made up of eighteen pieces, is reported to have closed a successful season and, with winter at hand, is to operate as two units, the membership being equally divided, with a brother in charge of each.

The day of the long foot parade is about over; and no one is sorry. How we used to race madly down the street, spread about twenty feet apart, playing fast and furious and out of hearing of each other. Impossible to play in tune or in time with such a spread.

The cornet section in the rear would hear the trombone about half a beat late and the result was an awful mess.

This was in the good old "repertorial days" many years ago, when the prices were ten, twenty and thirty cents.

There were generally eight or ten in the band, but we tried to cover a half block with our senseless spread. The idea was to make a flash, but it was a sorry spectacle indeed.

We thought we were raising Cain because we could play fast and march like maniacs. Always came back ringing wet and nearly exhausted. On some of the Tom shows we stayed out from one to two hours.

We made every street and alley in town and played to every pig-pen.

We thought the big spread would compensate for our small number, but we deceived only ourselves; the big spread never did deceive the natives—albeit our manager thought it did. "Just see how they spread out to make it look big;" and then the natives would laugh at us for being such fools.

We always underestimated the intelligence of our listeners and audiences. If they didn't laugh at our show we said, "It went above their heads." If they didn't appreciate our music, it was because they didn't have sense enough to recognize our superior talents—speed and noise. We got their contempt, and sometimes their sympathy, when they saw us sweating out in the sun on a hot day—but never their applause or approval of our ridiculous efforts.

We know a little better now, but there is still much room for improvement in some quarters.

The big war bands and the augmented town bands of the present day have been a big factor in educating us to a true sense of values.

The extremely small band no longer receives any notice at all, and the rotten bands, such as we knew in the old days, are only a tradition now.

Show bands must be bigger and better in these days if they are to draw anything to the show.

The manager who turns out a small, inferior band only exposes his weakness and reduces his receipts. Cheap musicians are no longer in demand. You must deliver the goods—be able to play in a musicianly manner, especially well in tune, or you can't stay.

We are glad this change has come about. We do not parade now. We play a concert; and we carry real musicians and pay them real salaries. But you MUST be able to deliver.

Vieh Fitz John, lady cornetist, after a pleasant visit to her home folks at Linneus, Mo., has joined the Goldie Cole Dramatic Co., now touring Missouri. Miss Fitz John played first cornet with Brunk's Comedians during the past season; also sold tickets on the front box.

MOSS AND FRYE

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Moss and Frye, old friends of The Billboard, are making a big getaway in the State-Lake Theater this week in their act, "How High Is Up? How Come?" Both of the boys are excellent ballad singers, using "Broadway Rose" and "Down the Trail to Home, Sweet Home." They have been working together since 1906.

NEW GRIMM NUMBER

Chicago, Nov. 13.—C. A. Grimm, music publisher, has just launched a new number, "The Stream of Life Flows On," which is now on sale. Mr. Grimm also has a new "Blue" number, "Sweet Sadie." Both are new but show genuine promise.

NEW BELWIN NUMBER

New York, Nov. 14.—"Yodelo," a new Belwin number, will be used as part of Marie Cahill's new vaudeville material when she opens in the Keith Theater, Washington, Monday, November 29. Vaughn de Leath will preside at the piano.

TO LEAVE VAUDEVILLE

New York, Nov. 13.—Pat Rooney and Marion Bent plan to leave vaudeville forever after their appearance next week at B. S. Moss' Regent Theater. They are going to appear in a forthcoming Broadway musical comedy, it is said.

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The event of the week in St. Louis was the opening of the new Missouri Theater. It was opened Monday as a Paramount picture theater, but it is built so that it can be turned into a regular theater whenever the occasion demands. The seating capacity is 4,000, and on opening night it was packed at the two shows. The beauty of the decorations, together with its Italian marble staircases and railings, gave it the most gorgeous setting that St. Louis has seen. The interior and the mezzanine promenade have never before been attempted on such a gorgeous, yet refined scale in the movie theater construction in this city.

Twenty-five matrons and nurses are in charge of the rest rooms and nursery for children. The nursery is a decided innovation; and only in the last year has it been added to the construction of the larger houses in the country.

Other accommodations include private telephones in booths for the convenience of patrons, cloakrooms and commodious smoking rooms, furnished in a sumptuous manner.

The Mayor and prominent officials made the opening ceremonies more attractive than usual.

Resolutions looking to improved conditions in certain theaters of the city and other public places of amusement were adopted last week by the St. Louis Presbytery after a general discussion. The Presbytery voted unanimously to "indorse all organizations of the city which will stand and fight for morality and clean amusements."

The Big Indoor Circus of last week is over, and St. Louis again showed its appreciation by a most liberal attendance. David Russell states that it was a great success, and the Ladies' League should reap a handsome profit. Most of the performers, who were some of the best in the circus field, have left, to begin their winter engagements.

Little Barbour is conducting a Humbug Circus at Marshalltown, Ia., and writes that it is a great success. He put it on for the American Legion of that city.

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W. A. (Snake) King has returned to his pits at Brownsville, Tex., after a prolonged trip north and east.

Mrs. E. L. Moss and Mrs. Dick O'Brien paid St. Louis a visit last week, en route to Kentucky, where they will spend the winter.

George Slater is in San Antonio, Tex., where he will remain for the winter. He is improving in health nicely.

Karma is playing return dates in the vicinity of St. Louis. He played this territory in August, and requests for his return have been such as to make him come back. His work is of the best, and no mind-reading has been so well received around St. Louis.

Ellery Reynolds is spending a few weeks at Eureka Springs, Ark., recuperating after a long, hard summer with the Rhoda Royal Circus. He states that he will be with it again next season.

The Cevene Troupe called last week. After a week at the Winter Circus here they are arranging props for their coming vaudeville season.

J. W. Brownlee is organizing an Uncle Tom's Show in St. Louis, and will take it to the Coast this winter. He will open about December 1.

Adolph Zukor of the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation spent several days in St. Louis last week, incident to the opening of the New Missouri Theater.

Tom and Mrs. Kitty Moss and Nell Hall, of the Cole Bros.' Shows, will spend a few weeks at Hot Springs this winter, before opening in the early spring with the Moss Bros.' Greater Shows.

"Ed Wynn's Carnival" did an immense business at the American Theater here last week. It is about the best thing St. Louis has seen this season.

R. C. LeBurns has taken the general agent position with the New Rice-Dorman Shows, and

from Hugo, Ok., will route the show into Texas for the winter.

Sam Levy, concessioner, has contracted for the candy privileges at four motion picture theaters in St. Louis, and will, as a consequence, locate here for the winter.

Charles F. Watmuff, general agent of the H. T. Freed Exposition, is writing for the complete fair list. Charles is already busy for next season. He states that the atmosphere around Jamestown, N. Y., is full of pep.

Sam Kaplan writes that business is fair in his territory in spite of the general condition of the South and that nothing has changed his determination to stay out till Christmas.

MARPLE CELEBRATES

Philadelphia, Nov. 12.—Sam Marple, the popular and well-known stage manager of the Gayety Stock Burlesque Theater, is celebrating his twelfth anniversary this week. Some fine record winter and summer, for this length of time the popular Sam has been on the job. He is well liked by everybody and knows his business. Surrounding him for six years and signed in with the lease of the house is the live-wire, hustling crew—George Peterson, Harry Moesler, Sam Speler, Percy Smith. The celebration has been going on nightly the entire week.

MARINES CAUSE TROUBLE

New York, Nov. 10.—Fifteen marines from a battleship staged a battle of their own Monday night in Kahn's Union Square Theater. When order had been restored the marines were suffering from bruised heads, half a dozen or more policemen were similarly hurt, and practically all the glass windows between Fourth avenue and Broadway were smashed. The marines made themselves conspicuous during the show by getting up in the aisles and mimicking the cho-

rus. The curtain was rung down and everybody ordered to the street. Then a general fight followed between the marines, the theater's special officers and policemen from nearby beats. "We came to avenge six marines put out of the show last Sunday night," was the explanation of the marines arrested.

GIVES CHILDREN A TREAT

Over three thousand children ranging in age from five to thirteen years were given a treat when Pat White and his "Gaiety Girls" played Scranton, Pa., the first week in November. Jim Reap, a Scranton grocer and friend of Pat White, arranged the affair. There was a parade with the children in line and headed by White. Then there were Hugh Jennings, late manager of the Detroit Americans, and several other baseball celebrities, a brass band, etc., and following the parade there was a special entertainment for the children.

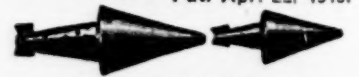
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BURLESQUE REVIEWS

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of the show, which had the effect of speeding up others of the cast, who did all in their power with fair success to equal the hit made by Miss Warner, and as far as the females went they gave Caroline a run for popularity, but she outdistanced them one and all.

Prima Pearson copping jewels from comica for blackmailing gun toting husband was another bit. Prima Pearson, seated upon bench and spotlighted while singing "Tripoli," with the girls lined up back of her, made an exceptionally pretty stage picture.

In front of a street drop Comic Drunk Adams, Juvenile Budd Purcell and Nancifield Campbell, in a ring-around-a-rosie and London Bridge is Falling Down, held a mild session until Caroline, as an adorable vamp, endeavors to kidnap the masculines, and Nance Campbell calls for Policewoman Prima Pearson, who is burlesqued by Drunken Policeman Comic Mossey.

Grace Fernside made a great flash in a green soubret costume over green tights that enabled her to do a clever dance while accompanied by the girls, which afforded ample opportunity to one of the end ponies, a hobbled-haired brunet, to do cart wheels and splits, and a blond to do some high kicking, while a ringleted brunet in the middle of the front line dispersed in vivacious dancing. Then came a stage set bank and the usual holdup burlesqued by the comica. A drop in one introduces the straight and juveniles as a vocalistic trio, accompanied by Comic Mossey as the noisy stage carpenter, who finally assists in a quartet as harmonious vocalists until the uprising drop reveals to view a typical blacksmith's shop, where they all take part in an anvil chorus.

A street scene with Straight Pendley as a great American faker, with stripes and kelster, went over mildly. A fairyland set with Prima Pearson introducing the girls as Experience, etc., was well received and led up to the finale.

Part two was an elaborate roof garden set overlooking a city and the usual specialties were offered. My wife lets me spend her money but won't let me work, to a crying chorus; the jealous husband butting in on the revelers, method of telling if women love you, insurance agent census taking and the domestic quarrel makeup and she'll never take it, were a series of bits that received some laughter and mild applause until the close of the show.

COMMENT

Considering the elaborate scenic and costumizing equipment and talented and conscientious working cast and chorus it is very apparent that Producing Manager George Jaffe fully intended to give to the American Circuit something better than the average and would have accomplished his purpose had he given more attention to the material given them to work with. As it is the material is lacking in that element of comedy for burlesque success, and as the show now stands it's a repetition of antiquated bits that have been done to death in stock houses in New York, and, in our personal opinion, done better than by the "Joy Riders." Even so we believe that if given the proper material and direction of a capable stage director the "Joy Riders" could and would put it over and put it over well, but as it stands now the honors must go to the females, including the chorus, for whatever success the show may achieve.—NELSE.

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TABLOIDS

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Leo Francis and Con Hempte. The Jazz Four, under the direction of Harlon Putnam, is still doing nicely, also Mamie Musso, the Kentucky Nightingale.

"THOSE FAN TAN GIRLS," under Jay McGee's management, are going along at a merry clip, according to a communication to The Billboard. Manager McGee took advantage of an open week recently and proceeded with the show to Chicago to fix up wardrobe and scenery. Upon the company's arrival in the Windy City local tab. managers booked the show, hence no layoff. Owing to the increased railroad rates the show will play a twenty weeks' stock engagement for the Hyatt Exchange, opening at Mason City, Ia., November 14. Some changes have gone into effect. Jack Walled has replaced Bunny Whitlock as straight man, and Lew Hershey, the frog man, has accepted a flattering offer elsewhere. Frank Tunney and wife are still with the show, the former proving a big asset with his Hebrew comedy. The Dancing Killdears, a new addition, are getting well-deserved applause.

"LASKIN'S FROLICS," Gabriel Laskin, manager, are playing a stock engagement at the Cozy Theater, Houston, Tex. Mr. Laskin is also manager of the Cozy. Members of the Frolics are: Wm. B. Sutherland, producer; Lillian Murray, character comedienne and "blues" singer; Mitty ReVere, principal comedian; Nick Wilkie, character man; Whittie Holtman, juvenile; Grace Jennings, leading lady; Sidney Burton, straights; Janet Kennedy, soubret; Margie Sutherland, chorus director, and Bernice Clements, musical director. The policy of this tab. is two script bills weekly. An exceptionally talented chorus of twelve completes the roster. Aaron Laskin, manager of the Kyle Theater, Beaumont, Tex., brother of Gabriel, is planning to organize a musical comedy company about December 2. This will give the people of Houston and Beaumont a change of companies about every six weeks.

THREE MEMBERS OF PETE SEYMOUR'S "Frisco Belles" were initiated into the Elks' Lodge while the company was playing the Fifth Avenue Theater, Arkansas City, Kan., recently. The new Elks are: George Paterson, trombonist; Joe Grey, musical director, and Prof. William Harvey, the banjolist. Vern Vernon, the congenial manager, witnessed the proceedings and saw that the boys "rode the goat." Election night the Elks' Lodge gave a banquet for the "Frisco Belles" and all voted it a good time. The next big event took place when Prof. Wm. Harvey, the newly elected Elk, and Grace Howard entered upon the sea of matrimony. The couple were married on the stage of the Fifth Avenue Theater and the S. R. O. sign was in evidence long before the curtain ascended, it is said. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey were the recipients of many beautiful presents from members of the company.

BILLY MIFFLIN, formerly of Fox Relly's "Globe Trotters," and Walt Myers have ventured into the producing field. These young, but thrifty, producers launched their "Variety Girls" November 7 at Toledo, O. The "Persian Models," a second company under the Mifflin & Myers banner, is about ready to start rehearsals. When ready for the road it will likewise be operated over the Sun Time. Script bills are to be used exclusively, they say. Wardrobe that sparkles with brightness is an outstanding feature. Special scenery and electrical effects will be used with each production. The roster of the "Variety Girls" includes Queenie Powers, soubret; Mrs. M. E. Suttle, characters; J. Suttle, leads; John Sheridan, characters; Billy Mifflin and J. W. Sims, comedians; W. E. Myers, general business; Mrs. M. F. Myers, wardrobe mistress, and a good-looking and energetic chorus of six.

HARVEY PORTER'S "Oh, Sweet Daddy" Company is laying idle in Cincinnati, having jumped in the Queen City from Kentucky, where they say business was mediocre. Most likely the show will enlarge, so far as personnel is concerned, before it resumes further operations. Just where Manager Porter will

reopen is undecided, but it is almost certain it will be in the vicinity of Cincinnati. Along about the middle of the summer the "Oh, Sweet Daddy" Company was established at the Garden Theater, Mason City, Ia., for nine solid weeks, where it made a host of friends. Following its stock run in Mason City the company enjoyed a successful seven weeks' run at the Palm Theater, Omaha, Neb. Members of the company are: Billy Steed, producer and principal comedian; Davenport La Mont, second comedy; Jimmie Wayne, straight; Joseph Smith, musical specialty; Lamar and Russell, dancing specialty. The chorus consists of Curly Stewart, Elsie Price, Ida La Mont, Viola Russell and Pauline Lamar.

MISTAKES WILL HAPPEN! The notice that appeared in the November 6 issue regarding Thomas & Bundy's "California Blossoms" was misleading, but it was not an error on our part. The "California Blossoms" is owned by Thomas J. Bundy and Trixie Thomas, formerly of Kemper Theater, Little Rock, Ark., not the Gem, as stated. This show is said to have played 106 weeks at the Kemper, which is considered quite a record for that city. Miss Thomas, popularly known as the "South's Favorite Dispenser of the Blues" and clever comedienne, is featured. With Walter Leonard and Al Watson, both of burlesque fame, doing their comedy bits, they have a trio that is hard to surpass. The personnel of the company, besides those mentioned above, are: Thomas J. Bundy, straights and characters; Nancy Moran, prima donna; Lorraine Campbell, ingenue, and the following chorus: Rita Hubbell, Ellmore Stuart, Hazel Wayne, Louise Boyd, Beulah Leonard and Jitney Smith. The company is now in its nineteenth week on the Spiegelburg Time and swinging along gloriously.

ED HARRINGTON, now producing for Max Golden, manager of the Jewell-Golden Company, speaks in the highest of terms of the treatment accorded him during his association with the Crawford & Humphrey "Bon Ton Review," with which company he closed at Sioux City, Ia., several weeks ago. "I was very sorry to leave the company, as Mr. Crawford and the other members of the company were as jolly and sociable a lot of people as one would wish to meet, and may the best of luck follow all of them," writes Mr. Harrington. Speaking of his present connection, Harrington says he is more than pleased with the excellent cast that Mr. Golden has gathered together. Script bills are being used exclusively, and, with a cast of four male and three feminine principals, and a chorus of five "peppery" chorus girls, the company is offering a repertoire of shows that resemble big-time productions. By no means does Mr. Harrington fail to mention the live-wire methods of Mr. Golden, who it at all times ready to further the interests of the show by adding new scenery and wardrobe for each new bill. Honey Harris and Hal Thompson have left the show, but these boys will be replaced some time in the near future, which will increase the cast to ten principals, in addition to a variety of specialties.

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gonna of the old days, when the order went out to "roughen it up a bit." Perhaps she will just suit the jaded Broadway appetite, who knows? But there are going to be a lot of people to whom she won't appeal at all, which class includes this writer.

The rest of the company are quite competent. W. H. Rawlins wrestles with the Broadway humor with which what there is of the story is gummied up, and gets quite a few laughs out of it. Irving Beebe, as Don Juan, Jr., sings and acts well; Frances Cameron displayed a good voice as Isilda and Paul Irving as a factotum in the harem, where the scenes are laid, was excellent. The rest of the cast were more decorative than active.

"Afgar" needs a book, mostly, and a cleaning up as well. It is well mounted and costumed. If it goes over it will be on account of the talk about the costumes and what "the boys" say about Delysia, which will probably bring some of them into the theater—then Lupino Lane will furnish the entertainment.—GORDON WHYTE.

EXCERPTS FROM THE NEW YORK DAILIES
Times: "First and foremost it is Delysia who makes 'Afgar.'"

World: "It is a production of striking pictorial beauty."

Mail: "As for 'Afgar,' it is an oldtime burlesque show dressed up for the carriage trade."

Globe: "A picturesque musical show, with little humor, much offensive vulgarity, a new Gaby and a splendid dancer."

FANCHON AND MARCO

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in his work keep this company always in the front rank. Most of the costumes are designed by Fanchon, especially her own, and Lester, of Chicago, has made the others.

Incidentally, we must not forget to mention Mrs. Marco, manager "behind the scenes."

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The Fanchon and Marco Company left Kansas City Saturday night, November 13, for a two weeks' trip thru Iowa, and will then go to St. Louis for a week, en route to New York.

This is a special interview obtained by the Kansas City representative of The Billboard, arranged thru the courtesy of W. Frank Delmaire, traveling representative of Equity, who wanted Billboard readers to become acquainted with the out-of-the-ordinary line of attractions coming to Kansas City, and which has the temerity to present to a New York audience a Western-made product.

BROWN BROTHERS CELEBRATE

New York, Nov. 12.—Next week the Six Brown Brothers will celebrate their sixteenth anniversary as a musical act. They are at present appearing with Fred Stone in "Tip-Top," with whom they have been for several seasons. The act originally appeared with the Ringling Circus in 1904 and remained with it for some seasons; then they were in minstrel shows, vaudeville and finally with Fred Stone.

JESSIE REED MARRIES

"Follies" Chorus Girl Weds Wealthy Cleveland Man in Pawtucket, R. I.

New York, Nov. 13.—Jessie Reed, said to be the highest paid chorus girl in the world, has become the bride of Daniel O. Caswell, son of a wealthy Cleveland family. The wedding was secret and just became known this week. It took place at Pawtucket, R. I. Miss Reed has been playing a bride part in the "Follies."

"IRENE" IN CHURCH

New York, Nov. 14.—"Irene" will have an unusual tribute paid to it today, when it will be presented in cantata form at the Church of the Redeemer, Newark, N. J., by the Rev. D. Henry R. Rose, pastor of the church. The musical numbers will be sung by the choir, while the minister will read the book, illustrated by lantern slides of the piece as presented at the Vanderbilt Theater here.

"TEMPTATION" AS SHOW

New York, Nov. 12.—The Kalis Producing Company has been formed to produce a three-act version of the operetta, "Temptation," which Armand Kalis is presenting in vaudeville.

Kalis will play the stellar role in the new version, which will make its appearance some time after the holidays, it is said.

ALLEN MUS. COMEDY COMPANY

East Liverpool, O., Nov. 12.—Offering an entirely new repertoire of musical plays, the Billy Allen Musical Comedy Company played its annual engagement at the Ceramic Theater here last week. Headed by the versatile Billy himself, the company offered an acceptable line-up of musical attractions.

M. C. SINGER IN RECITAL

New York, Nov. 13.—Helen Bolton, the prima donna in "Pitter-Patter," will give a song recital for the Theater Assembly at the Hotel Astor next Friday afternoon.

FIELDS DOING "BLUE EYES"

New York, Nov. 13.—Lew Fields will put his latest musical comedy production into rehearsal next Monday. The title of the piece is "Blue Eyes." Morris Rose is associated in the production with Lew Fields.

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Cleveland, O., Nov. 12.—Many oldtime members of the amusement industry flocked to the Hippodrome Theater this week to welcome to Cleveland the oldest living minstrel band and the oldest couple in vaudeville. Joseph M. Norcross and Mrs. Norcross have been presenting some oldtime features at the big vaudeville house that are a strong appeal to the older generation. This also is the first time that Mr. Norcross has visited Cleveland with Mrs. Norcross. Today he is 79 years old and Mrs. Norcross is 67. Besides being a veteran of the minstrel division, Mr. Norcross is the oldest living member of the Elks. He was the seventh member to join the B. P. O. E., and was a member of the old Jolly Corks, which organization preceded the present Elks. He joined the present organization in 1908. Mr. Norcross started in minstrelsy in 1857 and has been identified with all the leading companies in that branch of amusement. Mr. Norcross was born when his father was 65 years old. The Norcrosses are celebrating their golden anniversary on this tour.

TIMES CLUB DOINGS

New York, Nov. 10.—The New York Times Club gave an entertainment and dance Tuesday night on the roof of the Hotel Commodore. The first part of the entertainment was staged thru the courtesy of Flo Ziegfeld, Jr., the artists including Billy Mason, Alice Forest, Edythe Baker, Jack Hanley and the Fairbanks Twins.

LEGION GIVES SHOW

Denver, Col., Nov. 10.—With successive rehearsals of the "Jazzy Jazz Revue," to be given by the Denver Posts of the American Legion, for the benefit of the fund for relief of former service men next Wednesday and Thursday evenings in the Denver Auditorium, Director Dan Folan declares that the event will be the most spectacular affair of the kind ever attempted here.

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Last week a quartet manager traded a baritone singer to a girl act for two tenors.

Joe Miller's joke book was compiled to sell to "Chumps" out in the sticks. They would not fall for it, however, and the vaudeville authors made it a success.

It looks as tho Joliet, Ill., is going to have a big league baseball club for the first time in its history.

Which is the more profitable, laying off on the big time or working on the small time?

An act playing two houses a few weeks ago missed a performance at one of the houses because the comedian stopped on his way to sell some rain coats to a local dealer.

There was a collection taken up in Boston last week to bury an actor who had been dead fifteen years.

I asked a performer who had a bundle under his arm where he was going. He said he was going over in Jersey to blast two shattered weeks.

There is a cowboy playing the small time who can not speak a word of the English language.

A small time manager sent back word to a performer who did a straight monolog to cut out his talk.

Frank Bacon is a fine illustration of a well schooled performer. That boy was making them laugh when Times Square was a suburb.

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The minute a couple announce their engagement over there a certain vaudeville agent rushes up to them and puts their future children under contract.

I played Frankfort, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia, for three days in order to routine a new line of stuff that I had written. I went down to Philadelphia to lay off the last three days before opening Monday at Keith's.

In order to kill a little time after I arrived I went into a theater to see a stock minstrel show.

I had just taken my seat when a Philadelphia actor flew out on the stage blacked up and told my whole act.

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I was speaking to a vaudeville agent the other day about Hyde and Behman and he said they did the best blackface act he had ever seen.

Met an up to date vaudeville agent the other day. He owns a "Sight-seeing Car," hauls baggage, sells second-hand wardrobe, keeps a quick lunchroom in the Bronx, and his wife runs a rooming house.

He is all framed to get the actor coming and going.

There is a barber shop not far from Times Square in which the proprietor books girl acts, makes a hand book on the races, presses trousers and manages a fighter.

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Editor The Billboard:
Have you ever noticed that publishers of popular music delude themselves with the belief that it's the idea that counts in making a song popular? In other words the music is subordinate to the fact that Daddy was a mother to someone or to Chili Bean (whatever that is) or By Gum, By Gosh (a most original idea, what?) and then using thousands of dollars and hundreds of pluggers, when the song at last goes over, they assume it was the idea that did it. Why, half the hits of today are forced down the public's throat, just the same as many hypnotic, persistent advertisements at last make us buy things we really don't need. Now, let's look at the other side. Take a natural hit like Pretty Kitty Kelly—you can't make me believe that the song went over just because the title was neatly alliterative. Not on your four score and ten! It may have helped some, but after all's said and done the proof of the pudding is in the eating. In short, the success of nearly all songs depends about 90 per cent on the music. Look at the hundreds of songs that have no original ideas about them: Lonesome, Hold Me, Springtime songs, Moonlight songs, I-Love-Her songs, Come-on-and-Kiss-Me songs, songs about mother, father and sister; oh, yes, Dixie, Kentucky and Home, Sweet Home songs. They have all been done before many a time, many a time, and they are going to be done again many a time, many a time. If the music's right everything's right, except, of course, such elegant wording as, "And to her these words he did say."
Raus mit der ideas. Give to us der music, Lonie—der MUSIC. Eh? You bet. And on der staff-writers stick a dawg-muzzle so dey can't so often with ideas bite us. Some ideas will hydrophobia bring else.
Yours truly,
(Signed) JOHN DOUGLAS,
107 Emerson Ave., El Mora, N. J.

ROUTES OF SHOWS

Not Far Enough in Advance

Boston, Mass., Nov. 6, 1920.

Editor The Billboard:
Dear Sir—I seek enlightenment on the subject of some of your advertisers, viz.: In last week's issue there appeared an ad for people for the Edward Russell Playerrrs, with an address at the

Home Theater, Hutchinson, Kan. Being a personal friend of Mr. Russell, I wired him for a position for wife and me (ingenue and musical director). Twenty-four hours later I was notified that my wire was undelivered because the parties had left town. I asked them to forward to next stand, which they did, but this morning I received another collect notice from the Western Union, stating that telegram was undelivered at Newton, Kan., as parties had already left. The total cost to me was \$2.45. Nice, eh?

Reading further in the paper I find Justus Romaine Co. wants people. Address, Home Theater, Hutchinson, Kan., indefinite. In the stock and repertoire advance routes is The Toby Players, also at the Home Theater, indefinite. Question: How many shows are there playing at the Home Theater at Hutchinson at the same time? And, if only one, which one?

Question No. 2: Why don't these managers get next to themselves and when sending in their routes or ads be sure and give at least two weeks ahead? Are they all "wildcatting" or don't they know where they are going from one week to another? It appears that they

don't realize that The Billboard does not reach remote points until several days after its issue, consequently their advertisement is "all wet."
Thanking you, etc.,
Yours truly,
(Signed) E. M. HOWLAND,
Musical Director, Brennan's "Powder Puff Revue."

CONCESSIONER COMPLAINS

Editor The Billboard.
Dear Sir—Kindly publish the following letter, as I think the outside show world should know about it. This little affair happened to me only a short time ago with a well-known promoter. I am going to write and ask you and the profession if it is just and fair.

I wired a deposit of \$10 to Tom Terrill, the promoter at Sebring, O., to reserve space for me to place a ball game. On the following Monday I drove from Medina, O., to Sebring, not stopping at home, which is between the two towns, and on arriving at Sebring there was word there that I should return home as my mother was very ill.

Now bear in mind this promoter was at his home putting his mother in her last resting place. I told Mr. Terrill's lot man the condition of things with me and gave him ample time to sell the space that was intended for me and asked him to return my deposit, as it would help me out a great deal.

After coming home I found that things were worse than we expected. I wrote Mr. Terrill and explained to him the situation and asked him if he would kindly send the deposit to me as I was in great need of it. After waiting one week and not hearing from him I have de-

ecided to write you. I am signing my name to show good faith and the above statement is the truth.
(Signed) JACK BRINGGER,
Apple Creek, O.

ANSWERS WALTER C. ESMOND

Editor The Billboard:
Will you please publish the following letter in your "Open Letter" department?

I just read in the October 30th issue of The Billboard a letter signed Walter C. Esmond, stating that a grave situation is confronting the manager in the Far West. I would like to state that I met Walter C. Esmond last year in a musical comedy called "My Soldier Girl," and can't see how he gets the idea that he is capable of judging other actors.

He claims he is for Equity. I understand that "My Soldier Girl" company closed and left nearly all members of the company stranded, and yet with his Equity card in his pocket he stood for it. Is that Equity? I don't know the people to whom he refers in his letter, but it seems to me all Equity members should help each other instead of trying to hurt each other. If Equity has many members who go around knocking their fellow workmen I'm sure I don't care to belong to Equity. It seems strange that an actor is making a complaint against another actor for incompetency and misrepresentation. If any one had any kick coming, it seems to me it would be the manager and not the actor.

Fraternally yours,
(Signed) WALTER WORTHINGTON,
Iowa Falls, Ia.

CLAIMS HOUSE MANAGERS LAX

As Regards "Special" Performances in Boston Theaters

Editor The Billboard:
In regard to the news article about Sam Bernard and the disturbance at the Wilbur Theater, Boston, published in this issue I would like to say that Boston house managers have always been lax in their manner of handling special audiences. Just because any organization, club, college or society buys out a house for the evening the managers seem to think that that audience has the right to do as it pleases. They would not stand for a minute any disturbance at any regular performance, so why should they allow such affairs as the one of last Friday night? They knew what was coming, as the students were given paper hats and rolls as they entered the theater. I admire Mr. Bernard for the stand he took and consider it as Mr. Bernard did, that it is an insult to the actor to throw ANYTHING on the stage while the performer is on. It may have been all right for the students to throw the streamers about the house and at each other, but to throw anything across the "foots" at the ones who are entertaining them I think is a direct insult to the entertainers. Had not Mr. Bernard "called" the students

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when the first streamer was thrown at Miss Bordoni this would have been followed by hundreds of others, and as smooth a performance as was given under the conditions could never have been presented had the students been allowed to continue. I have talked with a few of the managers about the affair, but these managers seemed to think there was nothing serious in what was done, claiming it was all in the spirit of fun. They said Sam might have been a little peeved because the students were so noisy at the opening. Despite what the managers say I still think it was not showing respect to the players to throw anything on the stage. One house manager who was sure that not one in a hundred would call it an insult, taking into consideration that it was a special audience, made a small bet with the writer and the matter was left to a man outside the theatrical line to decide. This man, a real estate dealer, decided against me, saying that he knew of shows where the entire chorus came on with the very same kind of rolled paper and threw it into the audience. He said there are many shows doing that and no one ever takes it as an insult; the rule should work both ways. I am a poor loser (not in regard to the bet; that is paid up and finished), but I cannot make myself believe that it is right, no matter whether the audience is "special" or not, to throw anything at the people on the stage. I intended at first to get the views of several actors playing here, then again I thought if I put the subject before the editor of The Billboard I may get the opinions thru the "Open Letters" of the people of the stage on the subject. I wonder if I am alone in considering that which happened Friday night an insult to the players?

Yours truly,
(Signed) E. A. C.

WHY THE NEGLECT?

Youngstown, O., Nov. 7, 1920.

Editor The Billboard,

Dear Sir—I hope you will publish this in your "Open Letter" column, because I think I have a legitimate "squawk." In the first place I have been a subscriber to The Billboard, as well as an advertiser thru this medium, and I have always taken the time to answer each and every inquiry concerning my ads.

Why in the name of showmanship do some people advertise in The Billboard and then completely ignore the replies? For instance, three weeks ago, I sent a wire to the Dav'd A. Wise Shows, stating that I had a cook house and an Oriental Show complete, and to let me know their best terms by wire, at my expense. This was in answer to his display ad in the current issue of "Billyboy," and I am still waiting for a reply.

Also, in answer to T. M. Taggart's ad, in last week's issue, I sent a wire, requesting an answer by wire, at my expense. As yet I have received no reply.

During the same week I sent an answer to Talking Tom Terrill at Sebring, O., making the same request for an answer at my expense, but no response from this party either.

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DOESN'T BLAME THE PUBLISHER

Editor The Billboard,

Dear Sir—I would appreciate it very much, as a subscriber, if you would give space in your "Open Letters" columns to this subject: "What's Wrong With the Music Business?"

Now, Mr. Editor, every Saturday evening, when I get my copy of "Old Billyboy," I turn to the Open Letters and read about the above subject until my eyes get sore.

Every week some poor friend has had a mss. returned, marked "unavailable for use" by a song publisher. (So have I—dozens of them.) Then they sit down and write a long letter to the poor editor, and try and get him to sympathize with them. Ye gods, what the life of an editor must be! They tell their grief, they have had good mss. returned by the publishers, just as good and a little better than what is put out by the staff composers of the publishers. It is refreshing to know that one person thinks it is as good (even if it is the author himself). Then they call the publishers all kinds of names for not accepting their material, and, as one writer said, they nearly kicked him out of their offices. (I wonder if he tried to tell the publisher what he thought of him?) Well, Mr. Editor, I have never had the pleasure of meeting any of the publishers of songs, but I have put many mss. before them. They have all been returned to me. (It's sad, but true.) At first they came back with the usual slip (which has been described by many) attached. I've spent time on them since then, and I can see that there were good reasons for their returning the same.

Lately I placed another song before them, and instead of the usual slips I've received one and two-page letters, telling me that the kind of material that I have been sending in is the kind that their staff composers are paid to produce. I think this is very reasonable. So I have changed the style, and in a couple of weeks I will have a number which is the novelty type to place before them. Should it be returned I will plug some more until I do draw their attention. I won't get sore and cuss the publishers, and if my discouraged friends will only give the time to looking over their rejected mss. that they give to knocking the poor publishers I'm sure they will see why their material was returned.

They claim an outsider has no chance. Let them look over the latest popular songs coming out. How many of the composers' names have they seen before? True, there are some, but again there are many which they have never seen, which all goes to show: Give the publisher the material and see how quickly he talks terms. The person who thinks that the publisher would turn down a number which he thought would go over, simply because the author or composer is an outsider, is absolutely crumpling in his grave.

Yours for success with the publisher,
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By FRED HIGH



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Let's try a little memory test. It's more than that. It's a test of more than mere memory. How far do you remember back, as tested by the songs that you hold as a part of your life? Is it not a fact that you also, associate a singer with the great gems that are dear to you?

I remember "Silver Threads Among the Gold" as having heard that great contra tenor, Richard Jose, sing it in the days when minstrel shows were the dispensers of good music for the towns and smaller cities. "Where Is My Wandering Boy Tonight?" has rung thru my memory, as I first heard it sung by a splendid singer—the song and the singer are one in memory's happy dream. I have attended vaudeville shows for years, where I have heard literally thousands of songs. A few stand out. In each case I can name the singer who first sang the song as I heard it.

It is the one who creates a song who usually stamps it on the memory. Even an indifferent singer can impress a song on your mind the first time you hear it, and you will associate him or her with that song even after you have heard far better artists sing it.

Here is the lesson that this should teach lyceum and chautauqua artists, singers of all classes. Get your own songs. Try them out first. Don't wait until the publisher has sold a million copies before you start in to sing a number. Create one for yourself.

Risk your judgment on a song. Create that faith in your own ability to choose that stamps one as an artist. If you were ever to conduct a lyceum or chautauqua course, teacher's institute or some such gathering, you would see the reason why you should learn to develop your own judgment. The repetition of the old, staid, hackneyed numbers are certainly a bore to any audience, and even the best there are seem to lose their power to please after you have heard a dozen different aggregations take a whirl at them during a week.

There are a number of people who cry trash as soon as a popular song is mentioned. But there is certainly a growing demand for the popular songs that are being sung. Don't wait until some one brings out a record, then rush in to try and imitate what has been produced. That is not creation.

You will make a far better impression with a new number that has never been heard before than you will with an old one—provided you do it equally as well, and also provided the number is of equal merit.

There are a few who are willing to risk their judgment on a number. That few is growing into real numbers. They are willing to risk a dozen failures to strike one success. Create one number and be associated with it and you will have achieved a real victory. A paying one at that.

Frank Gates, manager of the Metropolitan Glee Club, has been one of the far-sighted managers who has stepped out of the beaten path and risked his own judgment. He has even been unmercifully criticised because he spoke his mind and said what he thought about one selection. But that only helped him to see the need of developing his own judgment.

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We have repeatedly asked different music publishers to send us 25 copies of any number that they might want to introduce in the lyceum and chautauqua, and we will gladly see that a copy is placed into the hands of the people who are not afraid to risk their own judgment. We know this is a real service to both singers and publishers.

If you wish to give this a further test send copies to Fred High, 35 S. Dearborn street, Chicago, care The Billboard, and we will do the rest.

The Leo Feist Music Co. sent us a number of its songs, with the request that we place them where they would do the most good. We did so, with the request that the singers review

these numbers and send us their opinions of any songs that they use. Here are the reviews, as turned in by our friend, Gates, who, as usual, got busy at once.

The following song review was written by Frank M. Gates, manager of the Metropolitan Glee Club. We wish others would do the same sort of reviewing so the profession would be better spurred to activity in this way. Read what Gates has to say first.

"JUST LIKE THE ROSE"

The words are by Harold Cool and Dorothy Terriss, and the music by Ethel Bridges. Here are Gates' ideas about this song:

A song in 4-4 movement, with a suggestion of the oriental in the verse, with good swing and tuneful. The accompaniment is well adapted to the melody and is well written for what is intended in the song. The oriental is not overdone to the extent that it takes the composition out of the running for a place among the best up-to-date ballad songs, but is just enough to make the number attractive. The accompaniment gives a splendid delicate touch and finish thruout the entire verse, especially the upper notes in the third and fourth and seventh and eighth measures in the bass.

The chorus, however, is the attractive part of the song, in the oddity of the melody. It is one of those arrangements that is different. I have never come across any song just like it. In the chorus, as well as in the verse, the melody is supported by the accompaniment in a way that leaves little to be desired in the number.

The writers of the lyric seem to have had an idea and carried it out in a way that does them credit.

This is a "different" style of sentimental song that would go well on any program in lyceum and chautauqua or vaudeville. It is one

of those numbers that clings to you and keeps running thru your mind.

"Just Like a Rose," besides being a good solo number, is a splendid quartet or orchestra selection.

"HONOLULU EYES"

(Yeux Honolulu)

There is a French text, as well as the English version. The words are by Howard Johnson, and the music by Violinsky. Here is what the Metropolitan Glee Club man has to say of it:

A Honolulu love song above the ordinary type. The writer has escaped the usual wording of this sort of lyric and gotten at his meaning in a way that is more acceptable than many who write lyrics of this sort.

The writer of the music has grasped the idea of the words and given us a melody that is very adaptable and tuneful. His accompaniment supports his melody nicely, being well harmonized and appropriate, making a splendid song in the 3-4 movement.

This number is a very desirable song as a solo. It is also a splendid orchestra number, and, if cleverly arranged, it would be a "quartet" number that would be remembered. It is, however, a number that would be appreciated anywhere.

"A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY"

As a novelty song I have failed to find anything that surpasses this one. The writers of the lyric had an idea and carried it out in a way that does them credit. They have taken a theme as old as time and given it to us in a new and novel way. Saying that it is attractive is putting it but mildly.

The melody of the song is very appropriate in every way, adding to the thought of the writers of the lyric. The accompaniment supports the melody in every way that could be desired, is well written, well harmonized and fits the theme of the song.

The imitation of the "Music Box" adds greatly to the attractiveness of the song, giving it a touch and finish that I have failed to find before in any song.

"A Young Man's Fancy," besides being a splendid song, is an ideal number to be used as a pianolog by using the "Music Box" imitation accompaniment after the second verse instead of the regular accompaniment. This is one of those numbers that would go over anywhere and be

appreciated, either as an individual number, pianolog or quartet.

While the writers of the lyric did themselves credit the composer of the music has grasped their idea and fulfilled his part of the composition most excellently.

"I'M IN HEAVEN WHEN I'M IN MY MOTHER'S ARMS"

Words by Howard Johnson and Cliff Hess, Music by Milton Ager.

The writers of the words of this song have gone back to childhood and gathered some past experience and brought it forth in the shape of a lyric for this song. They have done very well indeed. How natural for a child when in difficulty to refer to "mother." They have done so well in the wording of this song that one only has to read it thru to see the whole situation clearly, without drawing on the imagination.

And to this a melody that is beautiful in its simplicity and an accompaniment that supports it in every way and you have an ideal child number. one that would be an addition to any music library in the home and one that would make a splendid pianolog for lyceum or chautauqua programs.

"YOUR HEART IS CALLING ME"

Words and music by Bernard Hamblen.

The words of this song are of a sentimental nature, but not of the ordinary. The writer has told us his story in a fine, wholesome way, having gotten away from the meaningless way in which we find many songs of this type written. To read thru the verses and chorus is at once inspiring, appealing and impelling.

The melody is written in a way that brings out the very best in the words. It is tuneful and sympathetic, and carries but the thought conveyed in the words. The accompaniment supports it beautifully, being well harmonized and well rounded out.

Bernard Hamblen in his combined efforts has given us a song that is above the ordinary, yet it is not beyond reach, and the average singer looking for a song of a sentimental nature would do well to consider this number. It is a song that would grace any program, and is especially adapted to lyceum and chautauqua programs.

It would be a splendid idea if more of this sort of song could be found in the homes, not only found there, but being used. The effect of listening to this song is that of restfulness and thought.

"MURDER"

Committee by Byron Gay, author of "The Vamp."

Here is a number that, if properly handled, would go anywhere, either as an individual song or pianolog. With a clever arrangement it would be a great quartet number, if worked out with plenty of action.

The musical setting is written especially well to carry out the idea of the words, making a splendid novelty orchestra number.

The foregoing songs all happen to be numbers published by Leo Feist, Inc. The merit of these numbers as a whole is superior to any group of songs that it has even been my privilege to look over. The group embraces considerable variety, ranging from high-class sentimental ballad to topical comedy, and every one of them possesses a great amount of merit when the theme of each is taken into consideration.

In going back over the past few years, up to the present time, it seems to me that the Feist Music Pub. Co. has probably published more real song "successes" than any other music publishing house in the country. By this I do not mean the songs that have made the most money for the publisher, but the songs that have met the approval of the admirer of the better sort, not the classic nor the rag, but the song that comes and stays. Many may not agree with me in this. Perhaps I have never gotten in touch with as many of other publishers' songs of this kind, nevertheless this is as it appears to me: Feist seems to have a goodly number of the song successes at any and all times.

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Cincinnati, N. Y. 00

Phoenicia, N. Y. 90

McAdoo Falls, Vt. 100

Milton, Vt. 80

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Sidney Center, N. Y. 80

Marcellus, N. Y. 98

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Assonet, S. D. 90

Webster, S. D. 50

Waterville, Minn. 60

Dodge Center, Minn. 100

Selby, S. D. 80

Graton, S. D. 90

Millbank, S. D. 90

Williamston, N. C. 75

Ephrata, Pa. 90

Covington, Va. 100

Southport, N. C. 90

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Cottonwood Falls, Kan. 100

Oberlin, Kan. 100

California, Mo. 100

Keokuk, Ia. 90

Bridgewater, S. D. 100

Linness, Mo. 80

Almena, Kan. 90

Madison, Conn. 100

Sandwich, N. H. 90

Canisteo, N. Y. 90

Ameia, N. Y. 90

Tankhannock, Pa. 30

Stroudsburg, Pa. 100

Walpole, Mass. 90

Palmerton, Pa. 90

Midtlinburg, Pa. 90

Ironton, O. 100

Coshocton, O. 100

Sidney, O. 100

Middletown, O. 100

Lima, O. 100

Owosso, Mich. 90

Ravenna, O. 95

Coudersport, Pa. 100

Scriffield, Pa. 100

Ligonier, Pa. 100

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Fleming, Col. 90

Columus, Neb. 80

ADA WARD

Grant City, Mo. 100

Red Oak, Ia. 80

Owatonna, Minn. 100

Odebolt, Ia. 100

Watertown, S. D. 100

Milan, Mo. 90

Kirkville, Mo. 100

Marshall, Minn. 100

West Liberty, Ia. 100

Greensfield, Ia. 100

Marion, Ia. 100

Stuart, Ia. 90

Algona, Ia. 90

Hedrick, Ia. 100

Lake City, Ia. 100

Northwood, Ia. 100

Manchester, Ia. 100

Newton, Ia. 100

Yankton, S. D. 100

Estherville, Ia. 100

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Chillicothe, O. 80

Sidney, O. 100

Maysville, Ky. 90

Ironton, O. 80

Coshocton, O. 80

Lima, O. 80

Middletown, O. 90

Owosso, Mich. 80

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Carnegie, Ok. 90

Tyrone, Ok. 80

Arapahoe, Ok. 100

Blair, Ok. 80

Syracuse, Kan. 90

Caldwell, Kan. 90

Rose Hill, Kan. 80

Ramona, Ok. 100

Monro Valley, Kan. 60

DR. GEO. B. WELLS

Wyandotte, Mich. 90

Union City, Pa. 100

Chillicothe, O. 90

Maysville, Ky. 90

Sidney, O. 90

Ironton, O. 80

Coshocton, O. 80

Lima, O. 80

Middletown, O. 90

Owosso, Mich. 80

Ravenna, O. 80

Coudersport, Pa. 90

Sewickley, Pa. 80

Ligonier, Pa. 70

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COMMENTS

From Chautauqua Committees

Charleston, Ill.—Garner Jubilee Company: Geo. Garner is a smart negro. Must stick to plantation melodies. Tries grand opera—reading. Too many side remarks. Bretigan very good appearance and delivery. Subject matter is correspondence stuff—Stone Age origin—not interesting to general audience—egotistical.

Almena, Kan.—The Artists' Concert Company seemed to have a grudge toward the town or people from the time it came, and the people could not help but notice it.

Lexington, Neb.—In marking Bingham and Caveny 00, add they had "old stuff."

Alcona, Ia.—Gradings based on opinions of those capable of judging. Musical numbers about same as they were ten years ago. Two or three high-class lecturers would put the program over big.

Columbus, Kan.—John Temple Graves, excellent theory, wonderful idea of application of "The Golden Rule," but did not present any actual plans. Arthur K. Peck disappointing in that he had no moving pictures—simply a sort of travelog.

Groton, S. D.—The arrangement of the programs had a great deal to do with the talent and I think that some of these could show up better under better arrangements. Our crowds averaged better than 1,000 people.

Canfield, O.—Castellucci's Band gave practically the same program given by it at the chautauqua three years previous.

Caldwell, Kan.—The committee signed for next year, but the majority did not think that the standard was just what we wanted. The course did not pay out.

Liberty, Ind.—The American Girls gave the punkest program this community has ever witnessed from a chautauqua platform. The pageant, as given by Redpath here, was very inferior. Junior worker was excess baggage here.

Rose Hill, Kan.—Ye Olde New England Choir gives a very unique program, but it was here two years ago and gave some of the same stuff this year. Other than this it was good. Bohannons were here two years ago and gave two entire programs practically the same as this year, and is along the silly vaudeville line, and we consider them very poor.

South Bend, Ind.—Jas. Francis O'Donnell has good material, but his audiences aren't educated enough for his work.

Lesterville, S. D.—O'Donnell: So many of the community have very poor educations and know nothing of the history of Christians at home, and failed to grasp the real meaning of the reading, otherwise he got away good. Headland rambled over so many subjects that no one really considered he had a real purpose in his talk; also he was too egotistical and talked of himself and his lecture too much.

Holstein, Ia.—One member of the German-Melleba Company was absent and another sick, which partly accounted for less favorable report.

Lubbock, Tex.—A number of our citizens have voiced the criticism that the chautauqua this season failed to measure up to that of last. There seemed to be too many people of only mediocre ability. Inasmuch as their guarantee at this point calls for \$200 more than was paid this past season, we would suggest that every effort be made to secure a stronger and better balanced line of talent. In fact, too we have contracted with them for next season's performance, we feel that unless definite steps are taken toward that end we shall experience difficulty in securing enough support to warrant us in dealing with them.

North Liberty, Ind.—General public is highly pleased with the talent. The Mutual Chautauqua people filled their contract in every respect. Platform superintendent was well liked by the public and committeemen, and the junior supervisor's work was more than satisfactory. Have recontracted for another year.

Minneapolis, Kan.—Ned Woodman: Cartoonist work, 100. First twenty minutes of the chalk talk excellent, but became tiring. John Temple Graves: Delivery excellent, good orator, held audience. Lecture entertaining. Williams Jubilee Singers: High-class musicians. Make mistake of using heavy numbers instead of more Southern music and comedy numbers.


Arapaho, Okla.—Bohannons handicapped by high wind flapping the tent and walls.

Farnhamville, Ia.—Our chautauqua this year labored under difficulties, mainly due to the fact that they were jumping from Portland, Ore., to Farnhamville, Ia., and also to the fact that the company's platform superintendent was decidedly unsatisfactory to the entire committee. Local committee well satisfied with system and talent, but disgusted with platform manager.

Northfield, Minn.—Gov. Brumbaugh spoke in the afternoon and again in the evening at the request of the audience. Miss Hazel Dopheide was a wonder. Temple Choir did not get by, because this is the home of St. Olaf Choir, which is recognized as one of the best in the country, according to Eastern music centers.

Ironton, O.—We have marked the Kohl-Upton-Reed Trio 00. By that we do not mean that the program rendered by these young people had no merit. For their age and experience they did splendidly, but we feel they were not such

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material as should have been used in this chautauqua. Were well pleased with the entire program this year, and, with this one exception, felt that the talent sent us was all high-class.

Dysart, Ia.—Cong. Everett Sanders would have been O. K., but he injected local politics in his talk, and that did not meet the approval of the people. In all the chautauqua was O. K. for the price.

New Holland, O.—The community does not care for child impersonations. Appreciates well-informed talks of the topics of the day by reputable speakers.

Ravenna, O.—Am glad you are getting these reports, as it will help some to protect the community against the chautauqua companies foisting on us their personal friends and other indifferent talent.

CHIEF CAUPOLICAN Becomes a Metropolitan Star

Do you remember Chief Caupolican, the brilliant Indian singer, entertainer and orator, who was a great chautauqua favorite several seasons ago on the C. M. A. list and was presented in the West in lyceum during the winter of 1917-'18 by the Ellison-White Bureau? The chief was a sensation then, and he has been going forward ever since. After leaving Ellison-White he went to France as an overseas entertainer and returned to join big time vaudeville.

Now comes the announcement that Gatti-Casazza has given the chief a five years' contract with the Metropolitan Grand Opera of New York.

Ray Andrews, of the Ellison-White Bureau, has dug up these facts: To Giuseppe Bamboschek, conductor at the Metropolitan Opera, is due the credit of discovering this new singer. Following the advice of Mr. Bamboschek, Caupolican sailed with him for Italy last May on the "President Wilson" which carried also many operatic and concert celebrities. At the ship's concert, given the night before the arrival at Naples, Caupolican sang and created a furore. Among his enthusiastic listeners was Mme. Tetrazzini, who then and there offered to finance any European studies he might care to pursue.

The verdict of Caupolican's admirers on the "President Wilson" was later confirmed in a practical manner by European managers who heard him sing. The German impresario, Norbert Salter, offered him an engagement at the Berlin opera at very flattering terms. He was

also offered opera engagements at Vienna and Budapest. But all of these offers were refused by Caupolican, altho the engagements could have been filed preliminary to his appearance at the Metropolitan. He preferred to give his time to further preparing the roles in which he will be heard at the Metropolitan, where his debut is scheduled for some time in November.

THE WAY They Travel Out West

Here is a mighty interesting letter from "Chuck" Stout which tells how they have been fighting mud, rain and snow, yet coming up smiling, for the Ellison-White Southern Pacific Coast Fall Festivals; "The Sam Lewis Company and Miss Fredericks will bear testimony that their recent trip from Silverton to Telluride and from the latter place to North-eastern Utah is indescribable. Silverton is a few odd feet over fifteen miles from Telluride, yet it was necessary to motor 24 miles to reach the latter place, because Telluride is accessible only from one quarter of one direction and that on the opposite side from Silverton. Between the two towns Mount Wilson and 'assisting artists' ranging from 11,000 to 14,500 feet in 'upness' defy passage, more especially when decked out in winter paraphernalia of 20 feet of snow. The company left Silverton at 6:30 a.m. via motor and fought snow until 1:00 p.m., when being stalled for the 'umpteenth' time they unanimously decided they had reached the 'end of the limit.' They were then about six miles from Telluride by the—two miles up, two miles over and two miles down—route, but 60 miles by schedule. They had so torn up the road that it looked nearly impossible ever to return. However, they finally got back to Silverton and started around via Durango and Dolores, 175 miles. Then the train due at 5:55 p.m. got in at midnight and another date was missed. But that's only the first part of the first chapter. When we reached Price, Utah, we found it apparently floating in a sea of mud. The Roosevelt stage was tied up and no one could be induced by persuasion, bribery or threat to undertake the trip in the storm. But we did start the next day at 8:00 a.m. and arrived at Myton at 9:00 p.m., and that sounds easy, as it's only 85 miles. But we got thru and don't think we're complaining. It was part of the day's work, but I'm just trying to explain why we've so little to say out on the Southern Festivals."

LYCEUM AND CHAUTAUQUA NOTES

Last week we published an entire page of Committee Reports. Did you study that page? Dr. Y. Minakuchi is on his way West to take the second night lecture position on the Northern Festivals. Woon Young Chun is still ill in China.

Rider Stockdale writes from Columbia, Mo., that a chautauqua club of over thirty members was organized at the University of Missouri last week.

Theodore Turnquist says that the reason for the big Republican landslide in Illinois is easy to find. He wrote the words for the campaign songs for the victors.

Foxy Grandpa, Paul Kemmerer is now telling every one that he feels as good as he ever did. The reason is that he is a grandfather. Of course, they will call the boy Paul.

The Cattle Congress at Waterloo, Ia., cleared \$13,000 on their show. They lost \$1,800 on the I. L. C. A. Chautauqua. They will have the Cattle Congress again next year.

Did you read "The Turn of the Tide" by Irving Bacheller, which appeared in last week's issue of The Billboard? It's the best Community Building article that we have read for a long time. Get it.

Gilmer, Tex., is where S. P. Bailey is secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and those lyceum attractions traveling thru Texas and wishing to do some booking there should write to Secretary Bailey.

Ruby Page Ferguson, play reader on the Fives this past summer and in New Zealand this coming season, was married last week to Anthony Euwer, the well-known Hood River poet and entertainer.

Secretary Fuller of the big Seattle Y. M. C. A. lyceum course writes: "Licurance's Little Symphony gave us the best music we have ever had in this building—and it isn't a new building either."

Douglas Mallock is billed for a free entertainment at Springfield to be given complimentary by the Lions' Club. H. B. Hill is president of the local Lions' Club and will introduce the speaker.

The Western Lyceum Bureau writes: "We want 100 copies of the big Christmas Special and may be more." Get your order in right now. Our encyclopedia number and your card stating that this is with your best wishes all for 15 cents. Who will be next?

Milton W. Brown has bought back his interest in the National Alliance and is making a special drive to enlarge its bookings for next year. This season's bookings have been five times as large as last year's. That is going some. His headquarters are still at Cincinnati. They are looking for good talent right now.

Galen Starr Ross has been appointed general manager of the Dunham Service Corporation at Columbus, O. His office is at 101 N. High street. He is certainly fitted for this kind of service. He is giving his time to men and factories free, where he lectures and consults with them looking to the solution of the problem of finding the right man for the right place.

Daddy Myers of the Interstate Lyceum Bureau, of Chicago, is busy training an army of agents to sell talent on the coming drive for lyceum booking for the season of 1921-'22. Our advice to all committees buying talent is to inquire and find out whether the agent selling you is a managerial sausage-stuffed bird or whether the agent really knows anything about the talent he or she is selling.

Sunday night Fred High was billed as the speaker at the Chicago Vagabond Club, where the soap box orators hold their indoor sport during the winter months. Thomas Brooks Fletcher, who was in the audience, was dragged forth and put to work. He sent up a great

array of oratorical fireworks, after which the audience proceeded to dissect the speeches. Fletcher said that it was great sport. All speakers who have a Sunday night open in Chicago can find out what they really look like by appearing before this free lance bunch. Try it.

Pans are already being made by guarantors of Northumberland's Winter Chautauqua for the big joy festival to be held from November 27 to 30. The chautauqua last year was one of the very finest entertainment courses ever presented in Northumberland and the guarantors have been assured that the course this year will be even better. With both a winter and a summer chautauqua, the demand for uplifting and wholesome entertainment in Northumberland is being well met. There is no doubt that the two entertainment courses are appreciated by the people of the town at large and that they desire that both the winter and the summer chautauqua be continued.—Sunbury (Pa.) Item.

Down in Salt Lake City there is a worth while movement along the line of the Little Theater idea being successfully put on by the Varsity Players. The organization contains many former lyceum and chautauqua folk. Virgil Shepherd as business manager, Moroni Olson as assistant director, and Janet Young, Jos. Williams and Byron Foulger as members of the different casts. "Shep" writes that the Salt Lake public has placed its stamp of approval on the idea and the company. He says the Old Soul Hall Theater is the home of the Varsity Players and he extends an invitation to all E.-W. folks to attend as their guests at any time.

Mrs. Zehner, who is lecturing this fall on opening night of Paul Pearson's Swarthmore Chautauqs, relates by letter a humorous incident in which she was the central figure. It happened in Allentown, N. J. "I was entertained in one of the old homes—the house was built in 1764. I had the honor of occupying what is known as the 'best parlor.' I had a little bed in a corner behind an ancient screen. The paper on the walls of room was the same used when the house was built. It was paid for in pound sterling. In the afternoon when I was asleep a party of tourists came to see this house and this room in particular. They did not see me, and made themselves quite at home. The lady of the house said: 'There is nothing in this room less than one hundred years old'—and then I coughed. I felt very much like Rip Van Winkle must have felt. So you see I have been an antique."

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The latest number of The Magical Bulletin is said to exceed all previous issues.

February 11 is the date set for the next entertainment of the Wizard Club of New York. In all probability it will be held in the Twenty-third Street Y. M. C. A.

Magic received some good advertising in San Francisco recently when The Chronicle devoted a full page to the mysteries emanating from the shop of F. G. Thayer, in Los Angeles.

Hugh Johnston spent a few days in Chicago early this month prior to his New York appearance. 'Tis expected he'll make some of the big town champions sit up and take notice.

Reports from Los Angeles have it that Jarrow and his inseparable lemon created a riot when presented there. He usually does with just enough magic to make 'em wonder and a line of talk that is laugh-contagious.

Another week found the Windy City without a single important magical act, but echoes of the successful stag party recently staged by the Chicago Conjurers' Club continue to keep alive a pleasant and wholesome appetite for the art of mystery.

The magic editor asks all oldtimers and others to get busy with their pens, pencils or typewriters. The more co-operation the more interesting the department will be. Write the magic editor The Billboard, Cincinnati, today. You may forget if you put it off until tomorrow.

Mrs. Lucy Lingerman, popular lady magician and wife of Samuel H. Lingerman, the celebrated ventriloquist, is recuperating from a siege of nervous and mental illness at their home, 750 North Fifth street, Philadelphia, in which city Mr. Lingerman is busily engaged at public and private entertainments.

That "Up His Sleeve," the magic book by Charles Waller, is accepted as one of the best of any of the late writings in this line, is evidenced by the big sales reported by F. G. Thayer, the Los Angeles publisher. Filled with ideas, wrinkles, effects and patter, most of which is uncovered for the first time by the clever Australian magician-author, and printed in real "quality style," with numerous illustrations, the book is one that no regular magical worker or fan can afford to be without.

Eugene Devine writes that during his season of magic in Kelly's Side-Show, with the World at Home Shows, he met any number of magic fans and enjoyed a visit to the magical shop of Carl Bremsa & Son, Philadelphia. He is wintering in Wichita, Kan., where, besides "making small towns in that vicinity, doing magic and punch," he is going to turn out punch and ventriloquist figures. Devine plans to be back in his former capacity with the Kelly organization next season.

J. F. Gault, magician, of Halifax, N. S., was resting in Cleveland last week in preparation for the last lap of his journey around the world. Having crossed the American Continent, he recently stopped off in Newfoundland long enough to awe the natives with his black art, to an extent, it is said, that caused people to elude him on the street. Mr. Gault proposes writing a book on magic and the manner in which it is received in various parts of the universe. He travels by motor, living in an auto-home.

From Rochester, N. Y., comes an undated and unsigned letter on the recent performances of "Will Mistif" and "The Wizard Val Jean," which sound sure enough "big timey," and, so far as the "Wizard" is concerned, much akin to the great achievements of Houdini.

According to the unidentified informant the duo of mystifiers recently formed partnership and gave their first joint exhibition before a "packed house" in the Knights of Malta Hall, "Rochester."

Will Mistif is credited with "baffling even the most skeptical of them" with his "number of tricks" and "won a great ovation," while Val Jean, "without any fakes whatsoever," did his bit by liberating himself in a minute, flat, from "the 75 feet of rope tied by two huskies," escaping from a strait-jacket (locked on—not buckled) in 70 seconds and freeing himself in 3 minutes from "six pairs of handcuffs (borrowed from the police), 10 feet of log chain and a half dozen padlocks."

More reports on the doings of this pair will be interesting, to say the least.

When it comes to utilizing space the cleverest of sardine packers has nothing on managers of certain theaters in the Lone Star State, where the show of Travelutte recently appeared. It is reported that during the engagement at Durant, Tex., a "jamp" audience was played to every night, with banner business also being recorded at Den'-on-.

Dr. Herbert I. Travelutte believes his present attraction to be the strongest he has offered during the eight years of play, stating: "With perfect harmony everyone is working for the general interests of the show."

"Skip" Dean is now manager, with Sliker as assistant. Billie Reed joined the company, jumping from Alaska, last week.

"The Mental Miracle" met up with The Great Gilbert, Prof. Hammond and Prof. Frank Knull during the past month, and discussed plans for the perfection of an organization of hypnotists that would serve for co-operation and the elevation of the art by eliminating objectionable features.

Until spring, when the show will go East, Travelutte's organization will play a return of the oil fields of Texas.

Don Marjls, able secretary of The Winnipeg Wizards' Club and well known in the realm

of magic, particularly so by his generous hospitality to magicians visiting the Canadian city, makes known the following "Whispers From Winnipeg Wizards":

"The Winnipeg Wizards' Club has progressed in a way that has been really magical and is getting some nice publicity in local papers. At a recent meeting Caedmon was elected president, Prof. Manetho vice-president, Don Marjls secretary, Len Vintus treasurer, Warren Librarian and Rhonda and Seed guardians for the ensuing year.

"Prof. Manetho, an able performer, is appreciated wherever he appears. Caedmon and Warren have worked up a very fine, original second-night act. Don Marjls, billed as the 'witty wizard,' recently gave the art students of the University of Manitoba University a thirty-five-minute entertainment, which was favorably received. Clarence Wilson, a clever sleight-of-hand performer, who entertained our boys in France, returned on a flying visit to Winnipeg before going to Vancouver, B. C."

Reporting on magical acts in that city, which are becoming more frequent, much to the pleasure of Winnipeg magicians and the theatergoing public, Marjls states:

"Carl Rosini & Company played here recently on Pantages Time with a fine act. Their turban trick and presentation of the thumb tie were especially good. The opening feature is masterly and had the audience applauding before the real work began. Will Meyenberg, of New York, is with Rosini.

"The same week 'The Olms,' Watch Wizards, were at the Orpheum. With the dress given by these workers old principles were made new and their neat work was a hit of the bill.

"The following week the Rigolletto Bros. were at the Pantages Theater with their wonderful act, while over the footlights at the Orpheum Nate Leipzig once more bowed to admiring glances."

By way of explanation The Winnipeg Wizards' Club is an amateur association, which deals in "skillful deceptions, curious metamorphoses, wonders of necromancy and the mys-

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A PLEASING LETTER

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 6, 1920.

J. A. Jackson,
"The Billboard, New York."
"Dear Sir:

"It is with pleasure that I note you have opened a department for the Negro Artists of the country, as there can be no denying the fact of the constantly growing field for the Negro entertainer. It is with pleasure that I send a few notes of the above attraction which no doubt will be of interest. The Bronze Bostonians are now in their 12th week on the road after a 10 weeks' summer run in Chicago at the Grand. We are headed for the Pacific Coast with a route all booked thru the Northwest and into California and then have six weeks in Honolulu at the beautiful new Kings Theater. Business has been very good with the exception of the two weeks before election, which were played in Iowa. However, last Saturday at the Burchel Theater in Des Moines at a dollar top price, one performance, the company played to a gross business of \$1,103.50. They play at the Auditorium Theater, Kansas City, Mo., opening Sunday, November 14, for eight nights: Topeka, Thanksgiving Day, and St. Joseph, November 29-30, and then West. Sidney Kirkpatrick and Laura Bowman, who were with the Lafayette Players, head the cast and the stage is under the direction of Jerry Mills. In the cast are Medil Thompson, the comedian; Blanche Mason, Helen Lee, Monzella Lewis and the famous Bronze Chorus. The company numbers 31 people and its own Jazzonian Orchestra, and travels in its own Pullman car. The tour is under the personal direction of Mr. Ernest C. Filkins, who was manager of Richards & Pringle's Minstrels for many years, and also of Old Kentucky.

"Very truly yours,
"R. P. PENNEY,
"Business Manager."

Ralph Dunbar's Tennessee Ten, here this week with the Columbia burlesque, "Folly Town," stop the show at every performance. Really one of the best acts I have ever seen, and the patronage of the colored people of Kansas City shows how they are appreciated.

Benny Butler, a colored comedian of some importance, is here as sport writer and handles the amusement page of The Call, Kansas City's leading colored paper.

I recently saw Harvey's Minstrels at the Grand at Topeka, where they played to capacity business. Excellent show. Mr. Harvey has two of the finest private cars on the road and his people have staterooms to themselves. They are returning from a very successful tour thru Canada to the Coast and are now headed East.—
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NEW ORLEANS THEATER ESTABLISHES UNIQUE POLICY

New Orleans, Nov. 11.—The Lyric Theater, Jerry Thomas, manager, is doing phenomenal business and the house is crowded both matinee and night. The bill opening November 14 is Bob White and his Darktown Swells. On the 21st Perrin & Anderson with their Lyric Road Show, after a year's absence in the East come back. This company is a great favorite in New Orleans and will open the season of "Midnight Revue" twice a month for whites only. This is an innovation by Manager Jerry Thomas, closing after the regular performance and again reopening at 11:30 to white patrons only. Invitations are issued to the newspapers and hotels, which give them out to their friends. Standing room only is the rule at these shows. The Lyric Theater, with a seating capacity of eighteen hundred, was opened two years ago as a colored house and today is the leading colored theater in the South.

"SHELL" PARIS HAS A "REP."

The Opera House Reporter publishes an open letter by "Doc" Waddell, from which we extract the following:
"What pleased me most was the band and colored jubilees with the trick. I drew nearer because of the sweet music, instrumental and vocal. The jokes and dancing held me spell-bound. Finally out came a heavyweight. He was Shell Paris, of Crawfordsville, Ind., and the musicians and funmakers were Shell himself and his family—wife, son, daughters, sons-in-law, aunts, cousins and relatives by marriage. Some unit is Shell Paris! And clean as a hound's tooth. That's his "rep" everywhere, and he's helped sell medicine within a few yards of the North Pole."

It must be gratifying to "Shell." It is interesting to us as indicating how we are being observed in every branch of the profession; and being observed by knowing ones whose words carry weight in the show world.

MONTGOMERY HAS ENCOURAGING EXPERIENCE IN THE SOUTH

The dramatic page of The Chicago Defender of November 6 contains a letter from Frank Montgomery, manager and star of "Hello, 1920." The big feature of his epistle is a

recital of the considerate treatment accorded his company by officials of the Southern R. R. and the Cotton Belt Line. The general passenger agents of these roads greatly facilitated the movements of the company and added materially to the comfort of the performers by holding trains for them and providing sleeping car space.

Such kindly offices will do much to encourage our bigger organizations to go South. The South will get a better grade of attractions and the increased traffic therefrom will justify the railroad officials' actions.

It is only fair to say that the excellent department of most of our artists when traveling is to a great extent responsible for the improved conditions.

SOUTHERN EXPO. MINSTRELS

The Southern Exposition Minstrels, an aggregation of 15 colored artists and an Italian band of 12 pieces, playing under canvas in the Southern territory, has a record of three years without closing.

W. A. Strode owns the show, and R. L. Davis is manager. The stage is in charge of Harry Clark, and Clarence Brown has the orchestra. The cast includes Windfield and Windfield, Brown and Brown, Sadie Bruce, Evelyn Redding and Mildred Adams.

The show has just been equipped with new scenery and is about to invade the larger cities.

HERE AND THERE AMONG THE FOLKS

Ruscoe and Hockwaid are seeking talent to strengthen the famous Georgia Minstrels. This old and honored institution is well and favorably known to all of our folks.

The Illustrated Theatrical World is the name of a new publication. It is published in Chicago. Fenton Johnson is the editor, and Jack Trotter, a former New York press agent and advertising man, is in charge of the business end of it.

H. C. Mitchell, advance agent for the "Down in Dixie Minstrels," reports excellent business conditions in Pennsylvania, and that his company is doing a nice business. He complains, however, of difficulties in the matter of per-

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ROBERT G. WING, Manager.

sonal accommodations in some of the smaller towns of the State. Being a real hustler he does not let such trifles get his goat; but he is taking note of them for future guidance. This department would like to have him pass the "dope" along so as to let all the performers of the race benefit by knowing what to expect; or better still that some steps may be taken to improve such conditions as give cause for complaint.

Anita Bush and her company have been turning them away for the past few weeks at the Booker T. Washington Theater in St. Louis.

Ragtime Billy Tucker is operating a headquarters for moving picture artists and cabaret performers at 1007 Central avenue, Los Angeles. He will be glad to hear from professionals who contemplate a visit to the Coast.

Mrs. Mines, one of the best portrayals of the "Mammy" type of parts in the movies, is at liberty for the first time in two years. She enjoys an excellent reputation with a large number of New York producers.

The Oldtime Darkies' Quartet, Leon Johnson, manager, is, according to a letter to the D. R. C., having excellent success in the West. The troupe is in Duluth week of the 15th, with Winnipeg, Calgary and Victoria, Can., to follow.

The profession was well represented in the Armistice Day celebration in New York. Lieut. Simpson and his 15th Regiment Band was, of course, the most prominent feature. The veteran corps included many members of the profession. Many more who were eligible to take part were absent because of being on the road.

This department is anxious to hear from the managers of all colored attractions and from the managers of houses playing such companies at once in order to give them proper place in the big Christmas Number.

The Colored Vaudeville Beneficial Association has moved to its new quarters at 120 West 130 street, New York. Performers communicating with the association or playing in the city please note.

TO ACTS AT LIBERTY: If you will let us know when you get in town and what your permanent address is we may be able to render you some assistance in getting placed by passing to you information that comes to us.

SHANGHAI NEWS LETTER

By **ROBT. ROTH**

Shanghai, China, Oct. 15.—The Lyceum Theater here has been engaged by Maurice E. Bandman, who is very well known in India and the Far East, to present his new comedy company in a repertoire of the latest London and New York plays. Mr. Bandman has not toured this part for about three years owing to the lack of shipping facilities and the trouble of other matters connected with touring companies, and now that the conditions are normal again he is sending out several first-class touring companies. The present company has just opened here and will make a stay of about three weeks, then tour the Northern ports and afterward go on to Manila.

The company on the present tour is under the able management of Phillip Carlton. The advance manager is Hastings Olley, who has been in the theatrical business in London and the east for a number of years. The personnel of the company is as follows: Beryl Barracough, Percy Baverstock, Enid Burton, David Keir, Tina Gerald, Carl Lawson, Muriel Johnston, Forbes Russell, Niqua Lewis, Leonard Stephens, Violet Blyth Pratt, Norman Thompson, Lillian Stanbridge, O. Twiss, Clive Woods and Leon Yaymen.

The following plays are being put on to start with: "Nothing But the Truth," "Billeted," "The Yellow Ticket," "The Naughty Wife," "Lord Richard in the Pantry," and the following will be put on later: "Romance," "General Post," "The Rotters," "Hobson's Choice," "The Chinese Puzzle," "Caesar's Wife," "Mr. Todd's Experiment," "A Voice From the Minaret," "Sacred and Profane Love" and "Good Night Nurse." The company has met with enormous success in India, Singapore, also at Hongkong, where it is closing its season before coming here.

The Daniel Frawley Company paid a return visit to this port and showed for two weeks to

THE ANNUAL QUESTION

—AND THE—
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a packed house each night. The organization repeated its most popular plays which it produced before going to India. It is now touring the northern ports and is due back here shortly, when it expects to show for one night before sailing for Japan on its homeward voyage.

Our friend T. D. Frawley seems to be more active each time one sees him appear on the stage, and he is always sure of drawing good houses, as he is popular here.

There are a few new members in the company, which at present comprises the following: T. Daniel Frawley, Henry Crosby, W. Messenger Bellis, Claribel Fontaine, Leslie Virden, Albert Morrison, N. Michael, Vere Matthews, Chas. Osborne, T. Gordon Blythe, Olive Stevens, Vera Doris and Gloria Fonda. Vere Matthews is also officiating as general manager and T. Gordon Blythe as stage director.

MUSIC HALL PASSES

Cleveland, O., Nov. 12.—Another landmark for oldtime folk in the amusement industry here soon will disappear when the Music Hall, on Vincent avenue, will be razed to make way for a garage. The building was erected in 1885, and had an entrance from East Ninth street thru an arcade. Later this arcade disappeared, and a new entrance on Vincent avenue was created. A generation ago prominent musicians of the day appeared at this hall.

SEEKS EDWARD RAY SMITH

Charles E. Sharkey wishes to locate Edward Ray Smith, an advance agent, last heard from ahead of the picture, "The Daughter of the Gods," for the purpose of settling up an estate. Mr. Sharkey advises that Smith's brother died recently, and Smith and his mother are the heirs. The estate is valued at about half a million dollars. Anyone knowing Smith's whereabouts is requested to communicate with Mr. Sharkey, care Elks' Club, 108 West 43d street, New York City.

Have you looked thru the Letter List in this issue? There may be a letter advertised for you.

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Editorial Comment

IT'S funny the way newspapers fell for the bunk that a certain theatrical trade paper published some time ago relative to the vast number of actors out of work. One very reputable metropolitan newspaper solemnly printed a story which was a rehash of sensational trash, dished out to the profession a while back, and which stated that 5,000 actors are idle. This, the newspaper pointed out, was the figure arrived at by the theatrical trade paper after a "cannass of the theatrical field had been made." It's a terrible state of affairs!

A MOVEMENT to provide some "clean, meritorious entertainments for children Fridays and Saturdays" has been started in New York City. It is aimed to give the kiddies a program in some theater, hall or school auditorium to safeguard them against "unclean or immoral exhibitions." It is feared by some bright minds that, while children do not master all the contents of the adult play, they as-

similate much of it that proves novel, rich and nourishing. It is hardly probable, however, that even the broadest minded would prescribe certain plays which at this moment are enjoying a record business on Broadway. Altho the inspired reformer may fear too much for the juvenile mind, it might, perhaps, be well to guard against too great a sprinkling of spice in plays or movies, especially the latter, which are apt to inspire the child mind.

NO more commendable advances in the field of education have ever been made than the installation of the moving picture as an aid to education, and recent investigations made by the Bureau of Education disclose the interesting fact that there are already over 6,400 schools in the United States equipped with machines for the projection of motion pictures. Of these 3,720 are elementary schools, while 2,680 are high schools, normal schools and colleges. The researches disclosed the fact that many more schools are contemplating or are already installing equipment for the exhibition of educational films, while it was also found that many schools are not equipped with electricity, and are, at present, unable to act.

Funds for covering the expenses of the pictures are raised in various ways, usually thru subscriptions from the pupils or community entertainments

to quaint France and by way of the Alps to Switzerland would take but a few brief moments, while a cruise thru the blue Mediterranean and to the Red Sea by way of the Suez Canal could all be accomplished in the twinkling of an eye.

The methods and manners of American life in the larger cities would all aid the student in the study of men, manners and modern social customs in all walks of life, and there is no end to the arguments in favor of the moving picture as an up-to-date educational factor.

Let us get after it and soon. Talk about it to your friends and write to your Board of Education on the subject. It will be a step in the right direction and it will help.

THEATRICAL BRIEFS

Percy Jones is said to have purchased a picture theater at Ottumwa, Iowa. A new theater is being constructed at Ft. Reno, Ok., by Mr. and Mrs. Alderberry. L. W. Brophy has sold his new Yale Theater at Vinita, Ok., to the Paramount Picture Corporation. L. E. Harrington has resigned as manager of the Fox Film Corporation at Dallas, Tex., and is succeeded by Diaz Callahan. Hal C. Norfleet, manager of the Hippodrome, Dallas, Tex., has resigned to go into business. Ray Whitfield will succeed Norfleet. The Majestic Theater, Stevens Point, Wis., under the management of Rush Gregory, opened November 1 with Jimmy Hodge's Musical Revue,

"REDLIGHTING" THE UNFORTUNATES

We have always believed and fondly hoped that the days of brutality and inhumanity had vanished from the present day circus, but an item culled from The Cherokee Messenger, of Cherokee, Ok., and dated Tuesday, November 2, has shattered our hopes and broken our fondest dream. The item told a sordid tale of a circus which pulled into the yards on the morning of November 3, on its way from its closing stand at Fairview to its winter quarters, and related the miserable details of the wholesale "redlighting" of a score or more of unfortunates, who, according to The Messenger, were dumped from the train as it pulled out of the city, some of them half naked and many of them barefooted.

The men, who were penniless, stated that they had been forcibly ejected from the train, but gave no reasons for this drastic treatment, according to The Cherokee Messenger. They were rounded up by the police and placed on a Santa Fe passenger train bound for Enid.

Publicity of this nature is by no means wholesome, and its effect on public opinion towards shows and show people can be anything but beneficial.

The days of swashbucklerism and ruffianism have passed, and it is time that the show manager, regardless of the size or nature of his organization, should see to it that his show, his name and the good name of others in the outdoor show business are not laid open to seriously harmful criticism of this kind.

for which an admission is charged, while in a few cases State, county and city funds have been placed at the disposal of certain institutions for the presentation of film entertainment. Films are secured thru commercial companies and from the U. S. Government, while altruistic organizations and industrial manufacturing concerns also furnish pictures for school exhibition purposes.

There could be no more interesting or direct method of education than the motion picture, and it seems that a stronger interest should be aroused in this direction, for the pictures should essentially be of a direct educational nature, which, with suitable lectures, would work wonders in elaborating upon the geographical studies of the pupils. Carried, as it were, upon the wings of cinematographic art, the students could be carried from their homes in Walla Walla, Wash., or in Bangor, Me., to the most remote points of both hemispheres, and thirty minutes' trips to the jungles of India, the forests of Africa or the big cities of modern Europe could be made with ease, and in this way a more impressive idea of the manners and customs of foreign peoples could be given to the students. World trips with lectures would take the students thru the Sandy Hook Narrows and across the icebound waters of the banks of Newfoundland. Along the coast of turbulent Ireland and up the Mersey to busy Liverpool or by way of the River Thames to smoky London. Across the channel

"All Aboard for Cuba." The house has a seating capacity of 1,000.

The People's Theater at Greenville, Miss., was to have opened November 15, playing motion pictures and road attractions.

The Pastime Theater, Duncan, Ok., showing both vaudeville and pictures, has been completed and is considered one of the most modern houses in that section.

Theaters and picture houses at Quitman, Miss., have been closed by the health officer to aid in combating an epidemic of scarlet fever which recently broke out in that city.

Corporal A. M. Frothingham, formerly of Frothingham and Denham, is returning from the occupational area in Coblenz, Germany, and sends his regards to his professional friends.

Mrs. Florence Todd, wife of E. G. Todd, well known in theatrical circles, was taken sick while visiting her parents at Massillon, O., and was removed to the hospital, where she will undergo an operation.

The new Imperial Theater, South Pittsburg, Tenn., opened recently. This handsome theater has a seating capacity of 1,000, and is equipped with a Typhoon fan ventilating system. It is operated by the Tennessee Enterprises, Inc., which controls the Rialto and a number of other houses throughout the South.

The Palace Theater, Waupaca, Wis., one of the finest in Central Wisconsin, was opened to the public October 4. The theater, while primarily a picture house, is nevertheless equipped with a large stage and dressing rooms, both big enough to house some of the largest road attractions. A. M. Penny, owner, has spared no expense in making this theater one of the best in the vicinity. It has a seating capacity of 600, and a new \$15,000 pipe organ. J. W. Schlessner, formerly of the Shubert in Minneapolis and Milwaukee, is the manager, and Ethelwell Hanson, well-known composer, is the organist.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

J. L.—Mary Mannerling interpreted the role of Domina Enliden in "The Garden of Allah."

T. V.—He was born Francis Ferrari at Hull, Yorkshire, England, September 15, 1862. He died in New York November 11, 1914.

K. L.—Niece used the first camera made in 1816. It has passed thru various stages of development since that time at the hands of various people.

E. D.—The correct pronunciation of the word gratia is gret'ia—e, as in prey; i, as in habit. The pronunciations grat'ia (a, as in art; i, as in h'i) and grat'ia (a, as in fat; i, as in hit) are incorrect.

Reader.—Phil York's Theatrical and Railroad Guide contains the information you desire. This guide is on sale by the Lindner Publishing Co., Columbia Theater Building, Broadway and 47th street, New York.

F. V. S.—Violet Kemble Cooper, as Mrs. Chrystal Pole; O. P. Hieggle, as Phillip Chaudos, and J. M. Kerrigan, as Formoy Mac Donogh, were the more important ones in support of Laurette Taylor in "Happiness."

B. F.—Billie Burke, whose real name is Ethel, is 19 years younger than her husband, Fio Ziegfeld. They were married in Hoboken, N. J., on Sunday, April 12, 1914. Yes, Anna Held was formerly Fio Ziegfeld's wife.

S. J.—Solomon Wise, popularly known as "Sol-ly," died after a lingering illness at St. Anthony's Hospital, Chicago, March 31, 1914. He was born in Chicago in 1873. Mr. Wise was connected with Hagenbeck-Wallace, the old Joe McMann show, John Robinson's 10 Big, Howe's Great London and others. He started his career with the Showers & Rental Shows.

Edna—"Eyes of Youth" was by Charles Guernon and Max Martin. Produced by A. H. Woods, in association with the Shuberts, at Maxine Elliott's Theater, New York, August 22, 1917. Besides Charles Abbe, Donald Gallagher, Fay Wallace and Leonard Ide, who played the roles you mention, there were Ralph Kelland, Peter Hudson; John Elliott, Robert Goritz; Geo. L. Romain, Paolo Salvo; Marjorie Rameau, Glna Ashling; Macey Harlam, A. Yogi; Carlolite Leonard, Joan; Walter Amin, Picquard; Charles Hampden, Goritz; Joseph Adeliman, Alfred Brooks; Walter Horton, Percival Blake; Edward See, Judge Singleton; William Tousey, court stenographer; J. Harold Foley, Clarence Morgan, and Ben Johnson, Dick Brownell.

Marriages

BELMONT-CHRISMAN—Al Belmont, of the Three Belmonts, married Alta Chrisman, non-professional, at Bay City, Mich., a short time ago.

BENDA-CAMPFIELD—W. T. Benda, well-known artist, illustrator and originator of masks for stage use, and Pamela Campfield, of New York, one of his ait pupils, were married on November 8, in his studio, No. 1 Gramercy Park, N. Y., in the presence of a few friends.

BROWN-LAGSDON—Pat Brown and Cathleen Lagdon, both of the LaSalle Musical Company, were married November 1 at Mobile, Ala.

CASE-CRONCH—Major P. T. Case, house manager of the Capitol Theater, New York, and Irene Cronch, a non-professional of Toronto, were married a short time ago.

CASWELL-KEED—Daniel Caswell, non-professional of Cleveland, and Jessie Keed, of the "Ziegfeld Follies," were married recently in Boston.

CHAMBERLAIN-BOGGS—Lieut. James Chamberlain and Martha Boggs, well-known vaudeville actress, were married in San Francisco a few days ago. Mrs. Chamberlain, who was a popular figure on the Orpheum Circuit a number of years, will forsake the stage.

EUWER-FERGUSON—Anthony Euwer, the well-known Hood River poet and entertainer, was recently married to Ruby Page Ferguson, play reader. Both are widely known in Iyocum and chautauqua circles.

HARVEY-HOWARD—Prof. William Harvey, banjo player, and Grace Howard, a member of Seymour's "Frisco Belles," were married on the stage of the Fifth Avenue Theater, Arkansas City, Kansas, after the evening performance November 5.

HARWOOD-SUTHERLAND—M. R. Harwood, newspaper man, and Edith Sutherland, also known professionally as Edith Kurtz, and former wife of W. B. Sutherland, musical comedy producer, were married recently. Upon their return from a trip thru Florida and Cuba they will make their home at 74 Forrest Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

INGLIS-KINDLEY—William A. (Gus) Inglis and Ola Kindley were married in Los Angeles October 26. Mr. Inglis is a member of the booking firm of Willis & Inglis, and is a prominent figure in the motion picture industry. The bride, a non-professional, is a native of Arkansas. The couple will reside in Hollywood.

LIGHTFOOT-ANDERSON—Andrew T. Lightfoot, well-known character comedian, and Myrtle Adell Anderson, actress, were married in Chicago November 6.

SMITH-LINN—J. Basil Smith, a tenor singer in the "Mecca" company, and Betty Linn, member of the "Greenwich Village Follies," were married in Boston November 2. After the evening performances, in which the bride and groom appeared with their respective companies, the members of the bride's company gave a dinner (Continued on page 50)

OBITUARIES ON PAGE 92

MINSTRELSY

COMMUNICATIONS TO CINCINNATI OFFICE.

Fred Freddy is receiving many encores with "When You and I Were Young, Maggie." Fred is one of Gus Hill's vocalists.

In point of age and actual years in minstrelsy who is the oldest living minstrel? Let's hear from some of the oldtimers.

Johnny Neff is still original in his ideas. Would not be a bad idea for Gus Hill to look him up for that Broadway production.

John W. Vogel's Minstrels are touring Florida and making good again, they report, tho the stand at Tampa was not all that could have been desired.

Grant Gardner, the musical minstrel, has just finished the Orpheum Circuit. Grant says he is the originator of the Santa Claus gag. "Happy" Benway says he is right, as "Hap" can only remember back 25 years.

Howard Street, Boston, was the scene of a gathering of minstrel boys the other day. Leo Dube, the Great Weber, Leaby Bros., Tommy Hayes, Billy Reno, De Varo, Zamater and Charles Farrell renewed friendships, and all "kicked in" with an interesting tale.

Charles Alton was a caller at the home office of The Billboard on his way to join the Al G. Field Minstrels at New Orleans. Mr. Alton, who will remain with the Field troupe the balance of the season, is a song composer, and has written a number, entitled "Belle of Tennessee," which is very promising.

It's a well-known fact that horns freeze up when played in the open air in cold climates, but J. A. Coburn's horns never freeze up. Why? Because J. A. just carefully picks his way down South in winter, playing to crowded houses and fanning himself. When "Jack frost" leaves "Cobe" brings his minstrel band northward.

George W. Englebreth, who is interested in veteran minstrels, considers Jimmy Wall, premier comedian with Gus Hill's show, one of the foremost minstrel stars of the day. Englebreth intends to compile a list of old minstrel favorites in the near future from the Haverly days onward.

"Dad" Loxler is again with the Arthur Deming Minstrels, working in cork. He joined the show in Fond du Lac, Wis., October 28, and is working with Eddie Brown on the ends. "Dad" writes that the show is routed for the entire Carrel Circuit and that Mr. Deming has excused him from wearing a wig, and—he is happy accordingly.

"No news to report from the Harvey Minstrels. Business continues very satisfactory, and every manager wants a return date sure next season. My company appreciates the treatment I accord them, and I appreciate their energetic and loyal service—so we are all happy," writes B. M. Harvey, manager of Harvey's Greater Minstrels.

Jimmie Cooper and Jim Daniels, New Orleans boys, who are members of the Al G. Field Minstrels, which appeared at the Tulane Theater, New Orleans, week of October 31, were tendered a reception by the local lodge of Moose after the evening performance on Tuesday, November 2, and were the recipients of a Moose pin and Moose ring, respectively. The presentation was made by Senator E. M. Stafford.

The days of Eddie Fox, John Unsworth, the "Only Leon," "Georgie Wilson," Frank (Pop) Ward, Dick Quilter, Lew Benedict, M. B. Leavitt, Charles Heywood, Hi Henry, Jack Haverly, Dan Emmett, George Primrose and many other blackface entertainers were discussed by Jos. H. Smith, himself an oldtimer of the burnt cork art, in a conversation with the minstrel editor last week. Smith, now appearing with "Oh, Sweet Daddy," a musical comedy company, is 62 years of age, but one would not think it. After executing a few of the oldtime clog dances, Smith went thru a routine of modern soft shoe maneuvers and said "farewell."

The Al G. Field Minstrels have just concluded the largest week's business the Tulane Theater, New Orleans, has enjoyed thus far the present season. The Crescent City was the mecca for agents and show people in general during the stay of the minstrels. To diversify the attendance, Bob Brown, John P. Sullivan

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and Edward Righter, all Past Grand Exalted Rulers of the lodge of Elks, paid their respects to the minstrel organization. The families of Edward Conard, manager of the company; Bert Swor, principal comedian; Jimmie Cooper, Carl Lee and Harry Frillman, the stage manager, as well as many others, journeyed to New Orleans to spend ten days with their husbands. Armistice Day deprived the company of one of its nights in Houston, as the city, which controls the Auditorium, desired its use, hence the company's route thru Texas was changed. Al G. Field, who has been a great lover of dogs of the hunting species for many years, has brought the dogs that were formerly in charge of John Donaldson, of Boonville, Mo., to his farm "Maple Villa." "Court" and "Dollar" are well known to hunters all over the country. Mr. Field is arranging an act, "The Hunt," and the dogs above mentioned will appear in the hunting scene. The Witmarks are furnishing the music.

The name of "Honey Boy" will live and die with minstrelsy. The late Geo. Evans was the

"daddy" of all the "Honey Boys," and his name will live forever in the memory of all who love the blackface art. The Seven Original Honey Boys for seven years have upheld the minstrel first part and have placed before the public an ideal minstrel offering. To mention each member of the present Seven Honey Boys only brings back to memory the early days of minstrelsy. Tommy Hyde, a dancer of the better class, late of Scanlon & Hyde, Al G. Field's, Dockstader's, Donnelly's, and Honey Boys, is now owner and manager of the Seven Honey Boy act. For twenty-five years he was a producer, and he is also an ideal dancer. "Happy" Benway, the comedian, who has been a feature in days gone by with Guy Bros., Le Bar Bros., Whitney's San Francisco, People's Colonials, Nell O'Brien's and Christy's Famous All-Star, and also the original "Whoa, Nance" Benway of 1895, is also a Honey Boy. Others include Bill Cawley, late of Ditzel & Cawley, Dockstader's, Al G. Field's, Connelly's and Honey Boy Evans, another comedian and dancer who has topped in minstrelsy for over thirty years; Jimmy O'Mara, of ballad fame, for years in the South considered one of the

foremost tenor singers of the time; Herbert Willison, yodeler, a feature with Dockstader and Al G. Field's for twenty years; Geo. Faust, the original, one of the Faust Family, late of the Field show, a dancer, singer and comedian in minstrelsy since early boyhood. Since the Seven Honey Boys has been organized, which was seven years, as we stated above, such well-known minstrels as Tommy Hyde, "Happy" Benway, Bill Cawley, Manuel Romane, Ed Linderman, Sam Lee, Billy Curran, Earl Holmes, Jimmy O'Mara, Geo. Faust, Wilbur Cox, James Meehan, Wm. Thompson, Lassie White and Tom McKenna have starred in it. The success of the Honey Boys is due largely to the fact that Tommy Hyde has kept within the folds of minstrelsy and has spared no expense to get under his command some of the cream of minstrel talent.

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When no date is given the week of November 15-20 is to be supplied.

- Abbott, Pearl, & Co. (Broadway) Springfield, Mass., 18-20.
- Abel, Neal (Orpheum) Omaha, Neb.; (Orpheum) Des Moines 22-27.
- Aces, Four (Orpheum) St. Paul; (Orpheum) Duluth 22-27.
- Adams & Griffith (Shea) Toronto; (Orpheum) Montreal 22-27.
- Admiral, Mark & Co. (National) New York, 18-20.
- Adams & Barnett (New Grand) Evansville, Ind., 18-20; (Rialto) St. Louis 22-27.
- Adelaide & Hughes (Alhambra) New York.
- Adler & Dunbar (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb.; (Orpheum) Omaha 22-27.
- Adon's & Dog (Miles) Detroit.
- Alden & Walsh (Palace) Flint, Mich., 22-24.
- Alexander Bros. (Majestic) Chicago; (State-Lake) Chicago 22-27.
- Alexandria (Keith) Lowell, Mass.; (Keith) Portland, Me., 22-27.
- Allen, Fred (Orpheum) Peoria, Ill., 18-20; (Orpheum) Joliet 22-24.
- Allen & Brinkley (Empress) Decatur, Ill., 22-24.
- Allen, Nora, & Co. (Orpheum) Waco, Tex., 18-20.
- Alvin & Kenny (Loew) St. Louis 18-20.
- Amaranth Sisters (Majestic) San Antonio.
- Amblor Bros. (Globe) Kansas City, Mo., 18-20; (Novelty) Topeka, Kan., 22-24.
- Ames & Winthrop (Orpheum) Winnipeg, Can.; (Orpheum) Calgary 22-27.
- Ameta (Bushwick) Brooklyn 22-27.
- An Artistic Treat (Orpheum) Madison, Wis., 22-24.
- And Son (Virgilian) Kenosha, Wis., 18-20; (Palace) Rockford, Ill., 22-24.
- Anderson Girls, Three (Keith) Lowell, Mass.

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- Anderson, James (Royal) New York 22-27.
- Anderson & Burt (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb.; (Majestic) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 22-24.
- Angel & Fuller (Washington) Belleville, Ill., 18-20; (Erber) E. St. Louis 22-24.
- Angelus, The (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind.
- Anger & Packer (Orpheum) Minneapolis; (Orpheum) Winnipeg 22-27.
- Aphrodite (Regent) Detroit.
- Ara Sisters (Majestic) Dallas.
- Archilles & Venus (New Grand) Evansville, Ind., 22-24.
- Arcs Bros. (Palace) Milwaukee 22-27.
- Arlington, Billy (Hipp.) Cleveland.
- Armento, Angelo, & Co. (Regent) Kalamazoo, Mich., 18-20; (Regent) Muskegon 22-24.
- Armstrong, Wm., & Co. (Palace) Danville, Ill., 22-24.
- Arnold & Lambert (Royal) New York; (Bushwick) Brooklyn 22-27.
- Asak! & Taki (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb.; (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia., 22-27.
- Astor, A. C. (Riverside) New York; (Palace) New York 22-27.
- Aug, Edna (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind.; (Family) La Fayette 22-24.
- Austin & Delaney (Pantages) Portland, Ore.
- Austin & Allen (Regent) Detroit.
- Autums, Three (Dayton) Dayton, O.
- Avalatrix, The (Windsor) Chicago 22-24.
- Babette (Bijou) Battle Creek, Mich., 18-20; (Palace) Flint 22-24.
- Bailey, G.H.E., Duo (Loew) Fall River, Mass., 18-20.
- Bailey & Cowan (Keith) Philadelphia.
- Baker, Bert, Co. (Orpheum) San Francisco; (Orpheum) Oakland 22-27.
- Ballot Trio (Polk) Worcester, Mass., 18-20; (Orpheum) New York 22-27.
- Ball, Bae E., & Bro. (Orpheum) Portland, Ore.; (Orpheum) San Francisco 22-27.
- Ballyhoo Trio (Keith) Providence.
- Baltus Tr' (Majestic) Waterloo, Ia., 22-24.
- Banulster, Joe, & Co. (Loew) London, Ont., 18-20.
- Barber & Jackson (Kedzie) Chicago 18-20; (Logan Sq.) Chicago 22-24.
- Barker, Ethel M. & Co. (Loew) Toronto.
- Barlow, Banks & Gay (McVicker) Chicago.
- Barnard & Townes (Hipp.) Youngstown, O., 22-27.
- Barnes & Freeman (Orpheum) Winnipeg, Can.; (Orpheum) Calgary 22-27.
- Barnes, Stuart (New Grand) Evansville, Ind., 18-20; (Palace) Milwaukee 22-27.
- Barr Twins (Orpheum) San Francisco; (Orpheum) Oakland 22-27.
- Barry & Layton (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind.
- Barry, Mr. and Mrs. (Palace) New York; (Royal) New York 22-27.
- Barry, Lydia (Shea) Toronto; (Orpheum) Montreal 22-27.
- Bart & Rosedale (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind., 22-27.
- Bartbold's Birds (Orpheum) Memphis, Tenn.; (Orpheum) New Orleans 22-27.
- Barton & Snaring (Colonial) Detroit.
- Barton, Three (Pantages) Saskatoon, Can.; (Pantages) Edmonton 22-27.
- Bartram & Saxon (Majestic) Chicago; (Hipp.) Youngstown, O., 22-27.
- Basil & Allen (Miles) Detroit.
- Bassett & Bailey (Orpheum) Memphis; (Orpheum) New Orleans 22-27.
- Baxley & Porter (Orpheum) Quincy, Ill., 18-20; (Orpheum) Peoria 22-24.
- Beagy & Claus (Erber) E. St. Louis 18-20; (Empress) Chicago 22-24.
- Beard, Billy (Grand O. H.) Austin, Tex., 18-20.
- Beattie & Blome (Boulevard) New York 18-20.

- Beck & Stone (Pantages) Minneapolis; (Pantages) Winnipeg, Can., 22-27.
- Bedinis, Madam, Horses (Miles) Cleveland.
- Bedini's Dogs (Grand) Cleveland.
- Beeson, Herberta (Orpheum) Brooklyn.
- Beggs, Lee, & Co. (Hipp.) Spokane 18-20.
- Bell & Eva (McVicker) Chicago.
- Bell & Caron (Erber) E. St. Louis, Ill., 18-20; (Grand) Centralia 22-24.
- Bell, Adelaide, Co. (Colonial) Erie, Pa.
- Bellhops, Four (Pantages) Winnipeg, Can.; (Pantages) Regina 22-24.
- Bellings, Clemenso (Pantages) Oakland, Cal.; (Pantages) Los Angeles 22-27.
- Bell's Hawaiians (Bank) Akron, O.
- Bellfones, Seven (Royal) Akron.
- Bell-Thazer Trio (May's O. H.) Piqua, O., 18-20; (Gordon) Middletown 21-24.
- Belmonts, Three (Fifth Ave.) New York 18-20.
- Belmont's Canary Opera (Rialto) St. Louis; (Empress) Decatur, Ill., 22-24.
- Bender & Herr (Keith) Lowell, Mass.
- Bennett & Lee (Garrick) Wilmington, Del.
- Bensee & Baird (Keith) Cincinnati; (Davis) Pittsburg 22-27.

- Bobby & Earle (Loew) Toronto.
- Bobs, Three (Polk) Bridgeport, Conn., 18-20; (Palace) New York 22-27.
- Bolin, Gus (Polk) Scranton, Pa., 18-20.
- Bob & Tip (Maryland) Baltimore; (Keith) Boston 22-27.
- Bonconi, Maleta (Keith) Providence.
- Bond, Raymond, Co. (Hipp.) Cleveland; (Keith) Columbus 22-27.
- Bond, Carrie Jacobs (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
- Bond, Harry, & Co. (Palace) Danville, Ill., 18-20; Marlon, Ind., 22-24.
- Booth & Leander (Orpheum) South Bend, Ind., 22-24.
- Boothby & Everdeen (New Grand) Duluth, Minn., 18-20.
- Bordons, Three (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb., 22-27.
- Borsini Troupe (Pantages) Minneapolis; (Pantages) Winnipeg, Can., 22-27.
- Borrelli Duo (Avenue B) New York 18-20.
- Bottomly Troupe (Calumet) So. Chicago 18-20.
- Bouncer, Billy (Regent) Kalamazoo, Mich., 18-20; (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind., 22-27.
- Boyer, Nancy, & Co. (Bijou) Birmingham, Ala., 18-20.
- Boys & Fields (Majestic) Waterloo, Ia., 22-24.
- Braatz, Selma (Pantages) Vancouver, Can.; (Pantages) Victoria 22-27.
- Brack, Wm., Co. (Orpheum) Kansas City; (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia., 22-27.
- Bradley & Ardine (Hipp.) Cleveland 22-27.
- Bradna, Mme., Co. (Palace) New Haven, Conn., 18-20.
- Brady, Paul (Regent) Muskegon, Mich., 22-24.
- Brady & Mahoney (Delancey St.) New York 18-20.
- Braunins, The (Palace) Brooklyn 18-20.

- Brown's Dogs (Princess) San Antonio 18-20.
- Bruch, Lucy (Temple) Detroit; (Temple) Rochester, N. Y., 22-27.
- Bryant & Stewart (Hipp.) Spokane 18-20.
- Burke, Fred & Elsie (Loew's State) Memphis, Tenn., 18-20.
- Buch Bros. (Majestic) Wichita Falls.
- Burke & Durkin (Temple) Rochester, N. Y.
- Burke & Burke (Liberty) Lincoln, Neb., 18-20; (Globe) Kansas City, Mo., 22-24.
- Burke, Johnny (Empress) Decatur, Ill., 18-20; (Majestic) Springfield 22-24.
- Burkhardt, Maurice (Alhambra) New York 22-27.
- Burnette Sisters (American) Chicago 22-24.
- Burns Bros. (Rialto) St. Louis.
- Burt & Rosedale (Palace) Chicago.
- Burton, Dorothy (Avenue B) New York 18-20.
- Burton & Shea (National) New York 18-20.
- Bush, Frank (Royal) Akron.
- Bussey, Harry (Pantages) Victoria, Can.; (Pantages) Tacoma, Wash., 22-27.
- Butters, Aerial (Orpheum) Detroit.
- Buzzin' Around (Grand) Atlanta 18-20.
- Cabill & Romaine (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia.; (Orpheum) St. Paul 22-27.
- Calvert & Shayne (Loew) Fall River, Mass., 18-20.
- Cameo Girls (Orpheum) Marlon, O., 18-20.
- Cameron & Meeker (Dayton) Dayton, O.
- Cameron Sisters (Orpheum) Seattle; (Orpheum) Portland 22-27.
- Camilla's Birds (Bushwick) Brooklyn.
- Campbell, Georgia, & Co. (Palace) Rockford, Ill., 18-20; (Palace) Chicago 22-27.
- Caninos, The (Riverside) New York 22-27.
- Cantor's Minstrels (Orpheum) New York 18-20.
- Cappell & Walsh (Keith) Providence 22-27.
- Capers of 1921 (Polk) Bridgeport, Conn., 18-20.
- Carling, Hilda, & Co. (Grand O. H.) Austin 18-20.
- Carlton & Ballew (Orpheum) Omaha, Neb.; (Orpheum) Kansas City 22-27.
- Carlton, Ubert (Pantages) Seattle; (Pantages) Vancouver 22-27.
- Carr, Eddie (McVicker) Chicago; (Family) La Fayette, Ind., 22-24.
- Carrillo, Leo (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y., (Orpheum) Brooklyn 22-27.
- Carroll & Sturges (Keith) Lowell, Mass.; (Keith) Portland, Me., 22-27.
- Carter & Buddy (Pantages) Minneapolis; (Pantages) Winnipeg 22-27.
- Cartoons (American) New York 18-20.
- Carus, Emma (Keith) Cincinnati.
- Casey, Buckridge (Alhambra) New York.
- Casey & Warren (Keith) Portland, Me.
- Casson-Kirke & Co. (Orpheum) Quincy, Ill., 22-24.
- Catalano & Williams (Empress) Omaha, Neb., 18-20; (Liberty) Lincoln 22-24.
- Cathedral Singers (Keith) Boston; (Keith) Providence 22-27.
- Century Serranders, The (Lincoln) Chicago 22-27.
- Chadwick, Ida Mae (Keith) Toledo, O.; (Hipp.) Cleveland 22-27.
- Chaifonte Sisters (Delancey St.) New York 18-20.
- Challen & Keke (Orpheum) St. Paul 22-27.
- Champion, The (Jeffers-Strand) Saginaw, Mich., 18-20; (Palace) Flint 22-24.
- Chandler, Anna (Keith) Washington, D. C.; (Riverside) New York 22-27.
- Charles, Franklin, & Co. (Strand) (?)
- Charnoff's Gypsies (Lyric) Oklahoma City 18-20.
- Chase, Jean, Co. (Keith) Lowell, Mass.; (Keith) Portland, Me., 22-27.
- Chase & Latour (Pantages) Edmonton, Can.; (Pantages) Calgary 22-27.
- Cheer Up (Loew) Fall River, Mass., 18-20.
- Chester, Lord, Co. (Orpheum) Salt Lake City; (Orpheum) Denver 22-27.
- Cheyenne, Dan (Logan Sq.) Chicago 18-20; (Kedzie) Chicago 22-24.
- Chisholm & Breen (Pantages) Seattle; (Pantages) Vancouver 22-27.
- Chung Hwa Four (Palace) New Haven, Conn., 18-20.
- Chot, Dody & Midge (Pantages) Vancouver, Can.; (Pantages) Victoria 22-27.
- Christie & Ryan (Shreveport, La., 17-19; Alexandria 20.
- Ciccolini (Grand O. H.) Austin 18-20.
- Clark, Hughie (Pantages) Tacoma, Wash.; (Pantages) Portland, Ore., 22-27.
- Clark, Johnny, & Co. (Palace) Superior, Wis., 18-20.
- Clark, Wilfred, Co. (Keith) Providence.
- Clarke, Wallace, Co. (Orpheum) Denver; (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb., 22-27.
- Clasper, Edith, & Boys (Orpheum) Winnipeg, Can.; (Orpheum) Calgary 22-27.
- Classy Trio, The (Temple) Bantford, N. D., 18-20.
- Claude & Marlon (Orpheum) San Francisco; (Orpheum) Oakland 22-27.
- Claudius & Scarlet (Shea) Buffalo; (Shea) Toronto 22-27.
- Claixon & May (Jeffers-Strand) Saginaw, Mich., 18-20; (Orpheum) Jackson 22-24.
- Clayton & Clayton (Liberty) Oklahoma City 18-20.
- Clayton & Lennie (Lincoln) Chicago 22-27.
- Clemenso Bros. (Princess) Houston, Tex., 18-20.
- Cleveland & Dowry (Palace) Danville, Ill., 22-24.
- Clifford & Wills (Majestic) Wichita Falls.
- Clifford, Edith (Bushwick) Brooklyn.
- Clifton, Herbert (Orpheum) Winnipeg, Can.; (Orpheum) Calgary 22-27.
- Clifton, Ethel, Co. (Maryland) Baltimore.
- Clifton & Spartan (Loew) Knoxville, Tenn., 18-20.
- Clintons, Novelty (Empress) Omaha, Neb., 18-20; (Liberty) Lincoln 22-24.
- Clown Seal (Temple) Rochester 22-27.
- Coden & Lunken (Orpheum) B.S. on 18-20.
- Cole, Judson (Loew) Hoboken, N. J., 18-20.
- Coleman, Claudia (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia., 18-20.
- Coleman & Ray (Pantages) Salt Lake City; (Orpheum) Ogden 22-27.
- Coley & Jaxon (Orpheum) Kansas City; (Orpheum) Des Moines 22-27.
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- Blondell, Mabel (Pantage) Missoula, Mont.; (Pantages) Spokane 22-27.
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- Blue Devils, Eight Flying (Temple) Detroit 22-27.
- Bobbe & Nelson (Orpheum) Oakland, Cal.; (Orpheum) Fresno 22-27.
- Breath of Spring (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia., 18-20; (Orpheum) Omaha 22-27.
- Breen Family (Palace) Flint, Mich., 18-20; (Bijou) Lansing 22-24.
- Breen, Harry (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich.; (Temple) Detroit 22-27.
- Bremen, Peggy, & Bro. (Empress) Decatur, Ill., 18-20; (Orpheum) Champaign 22-24.
- Brians, The (Orpheum) Omaha, Neb.; (Orpheum) Kansas City 22-27.
- Britton, F. & M. (Orpheum) Fresno, Cal.; (Orpheum) Los Angeles 22-27.
- Broad, Billy (Pantages) Vancouver, Can.; (Pantages) Victoria 22-27.
- Broadway Echoes (Regent) Detroit.
- Bronson & Baldwin (Rialto) St. Louis; (Palace) Chicago 22-27.
- Brooks, Harry, & Co. (Crescent) New Orleans, Ia., 18-20.
- Brooks, Shelton (Hipp.) Cleveland 22-27.
- Brooks, Herbert (Keith) Toledo, O.; (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich., 22-27.
- Brown, W. & H. (Orpheum) Omaha, Neb.; (Orpheum) Des Moines 22-27.
- Brown & Weston (Keith) Providence; (Keith) Boston 22-27.
- Brown, Gardner & Barnette (Orpheum) Boston 18-20.
- Brown & O'Donnell (Davis) Pittsburg; (Keith) Indianapolis 22-27.
- Brown, Bothwell, Co. (Davis) Pittsburg; (Keith) Indianapolis 22-27.
- Browne, Frank (Orpheum) St. Joseph, Mo., 18-20.
- Browning, Joe (Palace) Springfield, Mass., 18-20.
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Imperial Quintet (Pantages) Edmonton, Can.; (Pantages) Calgary 22-27.
Indoor Sports (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich., 22-27.
International Revue (Palace-Hipp.) Seattle, Wash., 18-20.
Into the Light: Shreveport, La., 17-19; Alexandria 20.
Irwin, Charles (Keith) Philadelphia; (Keith) Providence 22-27.
Ishikawa Bros., Four (Orpheum) Joliet, Ill., 22-24.
Jackie & Billy (Empress) Decatur, Ill., 18-20; (Palace) Rockford 22-24.
Jackley, Helen (Orpheum) Sioux Falls, S. D., 18-20; (Empress) Omaha, Neb., 22-24.
Jackson, Thos. P. & Co. (Lyceum) Pittsburg.
Jail Birds (Empress) Chicago 18-20.
Jameson, Davey (Orpheum) Quincy, Ill., 18-20; (Grand) St. Louis 22-27.
Jane & Taylor (Loew) Hoboken, N. J., 18-20.
Jane, Nora, Co. (Hoyt) Long Beach, Cal.; (Pantages) Salt Lake City 22-27.
Janet of France (Keith) Columbus, O.; (Keith) Indianapolis 22-27.
Janis, Ed., Revue (Majestic) Dallas.
Jap (Orpheum) New Orleans.
Japanese Revue (Avenue B) New York 18-20.
Jarow (Orpheum) Ogden, Utah; (Empress) Denver 22-27.
Jason & Harrigan (Poll) Waterbury, Conn., 18-20.
Jed's Vacation (Lyric) Oklahoma City 18-20; (Grand) St. Louis 22-27.
Jem'ma's Band, Aunt (Columbia) St. Louis 18-20; (Erber) E. St. Louis, Ill., 22-24.
Jerome & Newell (Orpheum) New Orleans.
Jesse's, George, Revue (Keith) Philadelphia; (Maryland) Baltimore 22-27.
Jesters, Two (Orpheum) Vancouver, Can.; (Orpheum) Seattle 22-27.
Jim, Big (Odeon) Bartlesville, Ok., 22-24.
Johnson, Baker & Johnson (Windsor) Chicago 22-24.
Johnson, J. Rosamond (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb.; (Orpheum) Kansas City 22-27.
Johnson, C. Wesley, & Co. (Greely Sq.) New York 18-20.
Johnston, Johnny (Majestic) Waterloo, Ia., 22-24.
Johnson, Baker & Johnson (Davis) Pittsburg
Jones, Jolly Johnny (Palace) Danville, Ill., 22-24.
Jonis Hawaiians (New Grand) Duluth, Minn., 18-20.
Jordan & Tyler (Lincoln) Chicago 18-20; (Grand) St. Louis 22-27.
Jouleson's Icelanders (Orpheum) Brooklyn.
Juffel (Hipp.) Cleveland; (Davis) Pittsburg 22-27.
Jular of the Sea (Pantages) Minneapolis.
Just Friends (Lincoln Sq.) New York 18-20.
Kafka & Stanley (Garrick) Wilmington, Del., 22-27.
Kahala, Harry (Palace) Moline, Ill., 18-20.
Kahalulu's Hawaiians (Princess) Wichita, Kan., 18-20; (Lyric) Oklahoma City 22-24.
Kallas, Armand, Co. (Orpheum) Brooklyn; (Keith) Washington 22-27.
Kane & Herman (Orpheum) Memphis, Tenn.; (Orpheum) New Orleans 22-27.
Kane & Chidlow (Vendome) Nashville 18-20.
Kara (Hipp.) Youngstown, O.; (Hipp.) Cleveland 22-27.
Karr, Kary (Orpheum) Madison, Wis., 18-20; (Rialto) Racine, Wis., 22-24.
Karr & Walsh Revue (Virginian) Kenosha, Wis., 22-24.
Kasha & Co. (Garden) Kansas City 18-20.
Kay, Dolly (Hipp.) Youngstown, O.; (Keith) Toledo, O., 22-27.
Keating & Ross (King St.) Hamilton, Can.
Keefe, Jean & Arthur (Majestic) Waterloo, Ia., 22-24.
Kellam & O'Dare (Orpheum) Oakland, Cal.; (Orpheum) Fresno 22-27.
Kellermann, Annette (Majestic) Chicago; (Palace) Rockford, Ill., 22-24.
Kelly & Pollock (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich.; (Temple) Detroit 22-27.
Kelly & Brown (Keith) Portland, Me.; (Keith) Lowell, Mass., 22-27.
Kelly, George, Co. (Palace) Chicago; (Orpheum) St. Louis 22-27.
Kemp, Mairie, & Co. (Rialto) Racine, Wis., 18-20.
Kenna, Chas. (Orpheum) Des Moines, Ia.; (Orpheum) St. Paul 22-27.
Kennedy & Mart'n (Avenue B) New York 18-20.
Kennedy, Frances (Majestic) Tulsa.
Kennedy, Jack, Co. (Shea) Toronto; (Orpheum) Montreal 22-27.
Kennedy & Rooney (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia.; (Orpheum) Memphis, Tenn., 22-27.
Kennedys, Dancing (Orpheum) Calgary, Can.; (Orpheum) Vancouver 22-27.
Kenny & Hollis (State-Lake) Chicago; (Orpheum) St. Louis 22-27.
Kenny, Mason & Scholl (Pantages) Oakland, Cal.; (Pantages) Los Angeles 22-27.
Kenny, Bert (Temple) Detroit; (Temple) Rochester, N. Y., 22-27.
Kent, Annie, & Co. (Loew) Toronto.
Kern, Leonora (Keith) Toledo, O.; (Temple) Detroit 22-27.
Kharum (Orpheum) Brooklyn; (Bushwick) Brooklyn 22-27.
Kilkenny Dole (Empress) Omaha, Neb., 18-20.
King, Nellie, Co. (Palace) New Haven, Conn., 18-20.
King, George & Katherine (Loew) London, Ont., 18-20.
King & Gibson (Jeffers-Strand) Saginaw, Mich., 18-20; (Regent) Kalamazoo 22-24.
King & Irwin (Pantages) Victoria, Can.; (Pantages) Tacoma, Wash., 22-27.
King Bros. (Loew) Pine Bluff, Ark., 18-19.
King, Mairie, & Co. (Family) La Fayette, Ind., 22-24.
Kinkaid, Billy (Grand) Atlanta 18-20.
Kinney & Corrine (Hipp.) Youngstown, O., 22-27.
Kinzo (Orpheum) New York 18-20.
Kisby, Quin & Anger (Keith) Dayton, O.
Kirksmith Sisters (Majestic) San Antonio.
Kiss Me (Orpheum) New Orleans.
Klass & Terminal (Empress) Denver.
Klee, Mel (Keith) Lowell, Mass., 22-27.
Klein & Clifton (Grand) Plo-ington, Ind., 22-24; (Opera House) Linton, Ind., 22-27.
Klutz - Animals (Shea) Toronto; (Orpheum) Montreal 22-27.
Koban Japs (Shea) Buffalo; (Shea) Toronto 22-27.
Kohn, Kurt & Edith (Pantages) Helena, Mont.; (Pantages) Butte 22-24.
Kramer & Patterson (New Grand) Duluth 18-20.
Kramer & Boyle (Palace) New York; (Jefferson) New York 22-27.
Kraus & LaSalle (Hamilton) New York 22-27.
Kremka Bros. (Empress) Denver.
Kremlin of Moscow (Grand) Cleveland.
Kuhns, Three White (Savoy) San Diego, Cal.; (Hoyt) Long Beach 22-27.
LaBeger, Eise (Keith) Philadelphia.
LaBerzina (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia., 22-24; (Orpheum) Omaha 22-27.
LaFollette & Co. (Loew's State) Memphis 18-20.
LaFrance & Kennedy (Palace) Chicago; (Hipp.) Youngstown, O., 22-27.
LaGracioso (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb.; (Orpheum) Omaha 22-27.
LaGrohs, The (Keith) Dayton, O.; (Keith) Columbus 22-27.
LaHoen & Dupreece (King St.) Hamilton, Can.
La Pearl, Roy (Palace) Rockford, Ill., 18-20; (Majestic) Chicago 22-27.
LaRose & Elsie (Proctor) Albany, N. Y., 22-27.
LaRoy's Models (Keith) Indianapolis; (Keith) Dayton, O., 22-27.
LaVarre, Paul & Walter (Columbia) St. Louis 22-24.
LaVier, Jack (Orpheum) Calgary, Can.; (Orpheum) Vancouver 22-27.
Ladellas, Two (Windsor) Chicago 22-24.
Lady Alice's Pets (Savoy) San Diego, Cal.; (Hoyt) Long Beach 22-27.
Lake & Harper (Orpheum) St. Paul 22-27.
Lambert & Ball (Orpheum) Brooklyn 22-27.
Lamb's Mannikins (Pantages) San Francisco; (Pantages) Oakland 22-27.
Lamey & Pearson (Royal) Akron.
Lamont & Wright (Temple) Brantford, N. D., 18-20.
Lamont's Cockatoos & Macaws (Payret) Havana, Cuba., Nov. 6-Jan. 6.
Lamy Bros., Four (Palace) New York; (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y., 22-27.
Lane & Moran (Bushwick) Brooklyn; (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y., 22-27.
Lane & Harper (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia., 18-20.
Langford & Frederick (Orpheum) Des Moines, Ia.; (Orpheum) Minneapolis 22-27.
Lapine & Emery (Pantages) Spokane; (Pantages) Seattle 22-27.
Larlene, Fred, & Co. (Poll) Scranton, Pa., 18-20.
Larimer-Hudson & Co. (Palace) Chicago; (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich., 22-27.
Larue & Dupree (Pantages) Salt Lake City; (Orpheum) Ogden 22-27.
Larue Girls (Orpheum) Clinton, Ia., 22-24.
Latell, Alfred (Majestic) Tulsa.
Latoy & Vesta (Majestic) Des Moines, Ia., 18-20; (Orpheum) Sioux Falls, S. D., 22-24.
Laurall, Lyndall, & Co. (Colonial) Detroit.
Laurie, Joe (Majestic) Chicago; (Orpheum) St. Louis 22-27.
Lavolo, Fat & Julia (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind., 22-27.
Law, Walter, Co. (Pantages) Helena, Mont.; (Pantages) Butte 22-24.
Lawrence Bros. & Phillips (Dayton) Dayton.
Lawton (Orpheum) Des Moines, Ia.; (Majestic) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 22-24.
Le Roy & Paul (Grand) Montgomery, Ala., 18-20.
Lee, Laurel (Orpheum) Vancouver, Can.; (Orpheum) Seattle 22-27.
Lee Children (Royal) New York 22-27.
Lehmann & Thatcher (Princess) Houston, Tex., 18-20; (Princess) San Antonio 21-24.
Leightons, The (Bushwick) Brooklyn 22-27.
Leipzig (Orpheum) San Francisco; (Orpheum) Oakland 22-27.
Leo, F. & A. (Palace) Hartford, Conn., 18-20.
Leonard, Eddie (Keith) Washington, D. C.; (Palace) New York 22-27.
Leon's Ponies (Vendome) Nashville 18-20.
Lester, Great (Shea) Buffalo; (Shea) Toronto 22-27.
Lester, Al, & Co. (Palace) Minneapolis 18-20.
Levon, Paul, & Miller (Majestic) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 18-20.
Lewis, Dorothy (Pantages) Edmonton, Can.; (Pantages) Calgary 22-27.
Lew's, Henry (Palace) New York 22-27.
Lexey & O'Connor (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
Lilbonati (Bijou) Battle Creek, Mich., 22-24.
Life (State-Lake) Chicago.
Lillian's Dogs (Orpheum) Duluth, Minn.; (Orpheum) Winnipeg 22-27.
Lindley's Sextet (Hipp.) Dallas, Tex., 18-20.
Lingrade, Mimi, (Novelty) Topeka, Kan., 18-20; (Princess) Wichita 22-24.
Lingo & Linko (Loew) Ottawa, Can.
Linton, Tom, & Girls (Garrick) Wilmington, Del., 22-27.
Little Cafe (Empress) Denver.
Little Miss Vamp (Orpheum) St. Paul; (Orpheum) Minneapolis 22-27.
Little Cinderella (Hoyt) Long Beach; (Pantages) Salt Lake City 22-27.
Little Cottage (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich.; (Keith) Toledo, O., 22-27.
Livingston, Murray (Pantages) Oakland, Cal.; (Pantages) Los Angeles 22-27.
Lizzette, Madame (Grand) St. Louis; Marion, Ind., 22-24.
Lloyd, Riding (Miles) Toronto.
Lo, Maria (Majestic) Fort Worth.
Lockwood & Rush (Washington) Granite City, Ill., 18-20.
Lohse & Sterling (Orpheum) Ottawa, Can.; (Keith) Hamilton 22-27.
Lois, Tack Sam Co. (Keith) Washington, D. C.; (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
Lord & Fuller (Orpheum) Oakland, Cal.; (Orpheum) Fresno 22-27.
Loudons, Three (Orpheum) Denver.
Lorenz & Wood (Pantages) San Francisco; (Pantages) Oakland 22-27.
Lorimer-Hudson & Co. (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich., 22-27.
Lorraine, Oscar (Orpheum) Winnipeg 22-27.
Lorraine, Oscar (Palace) Moline, Ill., 18-20.
Lorraine & Crawford (Davis) Pittsburg 22-27.
Love Taugie, The (Princess) San Antonio 18-20.
Love Game (Orpheum) Minneapolis.
Love Shop (Orpheum) Des Moines, Ia.; (Orpheum) St. Paul 22-27.
Love & Wilbur (Odeon) Bartlesville, Ok., 18-20; (Grand) St. Louis 22-27.
Love Letters (Hamilton) New York 22-27.
Love Lawyer, The (Palace) Brooklyn 18-20.
Lovenberg Sisters (Garrick) Wilmington, Del.
Lover's Concentration (Majestic) Dallas.
Loyal, Sylvia, Co. (Palace) Chicago; (Orpheum) St. Louis 22-27.
Lucas, Jimmy & Francine (Orpheum) St. Joseph, Mo., 18-20; (Orpheum) Omaha 22-27.
Lutgen, Hugo (Rialto) Racine, Wis., 18-20.
Lydell & Macey (Royal) New York.
Lynch & Zeller (Temple) Rochester, N. Y.
Lynn, Basil, Co. (Proctor) Albany, N. Y.; (Keith) Syracuse 22-27.
Lynton & Roberts (Metropolitan) Brooklyn 18-20.
Lyons & Yosco (Palace) Chicago; (Majestic) Milwaukee 22-27.
MacFarlane, George (Orpheum) St. Louis; (Orpheum) Memphis 22-27.
McCormell Sisters (Keith) Indianapolis; (Mary Anderson) Louisville 22-27.
McCormack & Irving (Orpheum) Seattle; (Orpheum) Portland, Ore., 22-27.
McCormack & Wallace (Orpheum) Fresno, Cal.; (Orpheum) Los Angeles 22-27.
McCormick & B. (Poll) Scranton, Pa., 18-20.
McCoy & Walton (Liberty) Oklahoma City 18-20.
McDermost, Billy (Rialto) St. Louis 22-27.
McDevitt, Kelly & Quinn (Palace) Moline, Ill., 18-20; (Majestic) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 22-24.
McFarland Sisters (Orpheum) Lincoln, Neb.; (Orpheum) Omaha 22-27.
McGivney, Owen (Rialto) Racine, Wis., 18-20; (Orpheum) Winnipeg 22-27.
McGood, Chas. (Keith) Indianapolis; (Keith) Dayton, O., 22-27.
McGrath & Deeds (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y.; (Proctor) Albany 22-27.
McIntosh & Maids (Orpheum) Montreal; (Orpheum) Ottawa 22-27.
McIntyres, The (Pantages) Minneapolis; (Pantages) Winnipeg, Can., 22-27.
McKowan & Brady (Orpheum) South Bend, Ind., 18-20; (Regent) Muskegon 22-27.
McLane's Hawaiians; Marion, Ind., 22-24.
McLellan & Carson (Colonial) New York 22-27.
McNaughtons, The (Metropolitan) Brooklyn 18-20.
McWaters & Tyson (Keith) Philadelphia; (Maryland) Baltimore 22-27.
Mack, Wilbur, Co. (Majestic) Milwaukee.
Mack & Lane (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y.
Mack & Dean (Poll) Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 18-20.
Mack & Williams (Orpheum) Ogden, Utah; (Empress) Denver 22-27.
Magic Glasses (Orpheum) Vancouver, Can.; (Orpheum) Seattle 22-27.
Magleys, The (Majestic) Milwaukee.
Mahoney, Will (Lincoln) Chicago 18-20.
Makarenko Duo (Hipp.) Spokane 18-20.
Maker & Redford (Hipp.) Alton, Ill., 18-20; (Washington) Belleville, Ind., 22-24.
Mammy's Birthday (Savoy) San Diego; (Hoyt) Long Beach 22-27.
Man Hunt, The, Co. (Alhambra) New York 22-27.
Mandell, Wm., Co. (Orpheum) Sioux City, Ia.; (Orpheum) Minneapolis 22-27.
Manetti & Sedell (Palace) Springfield, Mass., 18-20.
Mauhassett Four (Palace) Brooklyn 18-20.
Manley, Dave (Vendome) Nashville 18-20.
Manners & Lowere (Princess) San Antonio 18-20.
Mantell, L. Ayres, & Co. (Maryland) Baltimore; (Grand) Boston 22-27.
Mantelle (Proctor) Albany, N. Y., 22-27.
Manthey, Walter, Co. (Orpheum) Montreal; (Orpheum) Ottawa 22-27.
Marbe, Fay, Co. (Colonial) New York; (Orpheum) Brooklyn 22-27.
Marble, Mary, Co. (Keith) Columbus, O.; (Keith) Cincinnati 22-27.
Margot & Francois (Hipp.) Youngstown, O.; (Keith) Toledo 22-27.
Marquette's Mannikins (Calumet) So. Chicago 18-20; (Palace) Rockford 22-24.
Marshall, Ed (Orpheum) Minneapolis; (Orpheum) Duluth 22-27.
Martin & Moore (Proctor) Albany, N. Y.; (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
Martin & Courtney (Garden) Kansas City 18-20.
Martin, Geo. (Palace) Bridgeport, Conn., 18-20.
Martin, Chas. (Loew) Pine Bluff, Ark., 18-19.
Martin, May (Liberty) Cleveland.
Marx Bros., Four (Bushwick) Brooklyn.
Mary Ann (Virginian) Kenosha, Wis., 18-20; (Empress) Chicago 22-24.
Maryland Singers (Davis) Pittsburg.
Mason & Dixon (Orpheum) Champaign, Ill., 18-20.
Mason, Harry Lester (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
Mason & Keeler (Temple) Detroit; (Temple) Rochester, N. Y., 22-27.
Mason, Lee, & Co. (Lincoln Sq.) New York 18-20.
Mason & Fletcher (Palace) Brooklyn 18-20.
Mast Kiddies (Strand) Crawfordsville, Ind., 18-20; (Indiana) Marion 22-24.
Maxon & Morris (Loew) Montreal.
May, Bertram, & Co. (Loew) Ottawa, Can.
Maybelle, Anna, Co. (Orpheum) Ogden, Utah; (Empress) Denver 22-27.
Mayhew, Stella, Co. (Rialto) St. Louis; (State-Lake) Chicago 22-27.
Mayo & Allman (Colonial) New York.
Mayor & the Manicure (Globe) Kansas City, Mo., 18-20; (Novelty) Topeka, Kan., 22-24.
Mayos, Flying (Keith) Philadelphia; (Maryland) Baltimore 22-27.
Melburn, Mr. & Mrs. (Pantages) Vancouver, Can.; (Pantages) Victoria 22-27.
Melmoite Phoo (Pantages) Winnipeg, Can.; (Pantages) Regina 22-24.
Melody of Youth (Pantages) Portland, Ore.
Melody Maids, Five (Liberty) Oklahoma City 18-20.
Melody Land (Loew) Hoboken, N. J., 18-20.
Melroy Sisters (Calumet) So. Chicago 18-20.
Melville & Stetson (Orpheum) New York 18-20.
Melvin Joe (Orpheum) Fresno, Cal.; (Orpheum) Los Angeles 22-27.
Memo's Jans (Pantages) Edmonton; (Pantages) Calgary 22-27.
Meredith & Snoozer (Shea) Buffalo; (Shea) Toronto 22-27.
Mercedes (Delancey St.) New York 18-20.
Merle, Margaret (American) New York 18-20.
Merlin (Orpheum) New Orleans.
Merrell, Ben, Co. (Poll) Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 18-20.
M'ddleton, Jeannie (Logan Sq.) Chicago 18-20.
Middleton & Spellmeyer (Empress) Decatur, Ill., 18-20.
Miles, Homer, & Co. (Majestic) Fort Worth.
Military Revue (Loew) Ottawa, Can.
Miller, M. & H. (Poll) Bridgeport, Conn., 18-20.
Miller & Capman (Miles) Toronto.
Miller & Mack (Maryland) Baltimore; (Keith) Washington 22-27.
Miller & Lyle (Hipp.) Cleveland; (Keith) Toledo 22-27.
Miller, Jessie (Miles) Cleveland.
Milletes, Upside Down (Miles) Toronto.
Mills & Smith (Loew) Montreal.

Old Black Joe Land (Regent) Kalamazoo, Mich., 18-20.
Oldtime Darkies (Family) La Fayette, Ind., 22-24.
Oiga's Leopards (Hipp.) Spokane 18-20.
Oliver & Mack (Liberty) Oklahoma City 19-20.
Oliver & Olp (Orpheum) St. Paul; (Palace) Milwaukee 22-27.
Olsen John & Nellie (Orpheum) San Francisco 22-27.
Olsen & Johnson (Orpheum) Calgary, Can.; (Orpheum) Vancouver 22-27.
Omer, Herbert, Revue (Fisher) Canandaigua, N. Y., 18-20.
Once Upon a Time (New Grand) Evansville, Ind., 18-20.
On Fifth Avenue (Majestic) Chicago 22-27.
On Manila Bay (Loew) St. Louis 18-20.
Orr, Archie, & Dolly (Broadway) Springfield, Miss., 18-20.
Orben & Dixie (Palace-Hipp.) Seattle 18-20.
Oren & Drew (Globe) Kansas City, Mo., 18-20; (Novelty) Topeka, Kan., 22-24.
Ortons, Four (Hipp.) Cleveland; (Palace) Chicago 22-27.
Osterman, Jack (Majestic) Chicago; (Keith) Columbus 22-27.
Otto & Sheridan (Majestic) Dallas.
Otto Bros. (Pantages) Winnipeg, Can.; (Pantages) Regina 22-24.
Overseas Revue (Hipp.) St. Paul 18-20.
Padden, Sarah, Co. (Colonial) New York; (Proctor) Albany 22-27.
Padua, Marg. (Palace) New York; (Maryland) Baltimore 22-27.
Pagana (Temple) Brantford, N. D., 18-20.
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Patricola & Mason (Bushwick) Brooklyn 22-27.
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Patts, Aerial (Columbia) St. Louis 18-20; (Washington) Belleville, Ill., 22-24.
Peck & McIntyre (Shea) Buffalo 22-27.
Perrone & Shelly (Grand O. H.) Austin 18-20.
Perrinis, The (Lyceum) Pittsburg.
Perrone & Oliver (Palace) Milwaukee 22-27.
Perry, Geo. & Ray (Pantages) Calgary, Can.; (Pantages) St. Paul, Minn., 22-24.
Peters & LeBuff (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
Petrova, Olga (Temple) Rochester, N. Y.; (Hipp.) Youngstown, O., 22-27.
Petticoats (Palace) Flint, Mich., 18-20; (Regent) Kalamazoo 22-24.
Phillips, Mabel (Grand) St. Louis.
Phillips, Sidney (Orpheum) Des Moines, Ia.; (Orpheum) Sioux City 22-27.
Reddick & De Vere (Bijou) Woonsocket, R. I., 22-24; (Scenic) Pawtucket 22-27.
Pickard's Seals, Capt. (Washington) Belleville, Ill., 18-20; (Hipp.) Alton 22-24.
Pikens, Arthur, & Co. (Colonial) Detroit.
Pierpont, Laura, Co. (Orpheum) Brooklyn; (Jefferson) New York 22-27.
Plicer & Douglas (Majestic) Chicago; (State-Lake) Chicago 22-27.
Pinto, Pete, & Boyle (Miles) Cleveland.
Pisano, Gen., & Co. (Victoria) New York 18-20.
Pistel & Johnson (Orpheum) Winnipeg, Can.; (Orpheum) Calgary 22-27.
Pitzer & Daye (Hipp.) Dallas, Tex., 18-20.
Plunkett & Romaine (Hipp.) Baltimore.
Pollard (Keith) Columbus, O.
Polly from Paris (Plaza) Bridgeport, Conn., 18-20.
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Pot Pourri (Pantages) Victoria; (Pantages) Tacoma 22-27.
Potter & Hartwell (American) Chicago 18-20; (Kedzie) Chicago 22-24.
Poulter, Walter, & Co. (American) New York 18-20.
Powell Troupe (Pantages) Portland, Ore.
Powers & Wallace (Orpheum) Salt Lake City; (Orpheum) Denver 22-27.
Prediction (Orpheum) South Bend, Ind., 18-20; (Kedzie) Chicago 22-24.
Prez & Marguerite (Majestic) Little Rock 18-20.
Pretty Soft (Columbia) St. Louis 22-24.
Price & Bernie (Orpheum) Duluth, Minn.; (Orpheum) Winnipeg 22-27.
Priporose Four (Orpheum) Kansas City; (Orpheum) Des Moines 22-27.
Princeton & Watson (Grand) St. Louis; (Hipp.) Terre Haute 22-24.
Prichard, Frances (Mary Anderson) Louisville; (Orpheum) St. Louis 22-27.
Private Property (Pantages) Helena 18-20; (Pantages) Butte 22-24.
Prosper & Maret (Bijou) Battle Creek, Mich., 22-24.
Fruit, Bill (Lyceum) Oklahoma City 18-20; (Odeon) Bartlesville 22-24.
Putting It Over (Pantages) Calgary; (Pantages) Great Falls 22-24.
Quinn & Caverly (Jefferson) New York.
Quinn, Jack & Teddy (Superba) Grand Rapids, Mich., indef.
Race & Edge (Loew) Knoxville 18-20.
Rahn & Beck (Orpheum) Clinton, Ia., 22-24.
Rajah (Mary Anderson) Louisville 22-27.
Rand & Gould (Loew State) Memphis 18-20.
Randall, Bobby (Orpheum) St. Joseph, Mo., 18-20; (Orpheum) Kansas City 22-27.
Rasch, Albertina (Majestic) Little Rock 18-20; (Orpheum) Memphis 22-27.
Ray & Fox (Majestic) Bloomington, Ill., 18-20.
Ray & Cunningham (American) New York 18-20.
Raymond & Wylie & Co. (Logan Sq.) Chicago 18-20.
Raymond, Lester, & Co. (Globe) Kansas City, Mo., 22-24.
Readings, Four (Mary Anderson) Louisville; (Keith) Indianapolis 22-27.
Reat, Petty, & Bro. (Orpheum); Calgary, Can.; (Orpheum) Vancouver 22-27.
Reinhold & Wells (Pantages) Winnipeg; (Pantages) Regina 22-24.
Reed & Blake (Garrick) Wilmington, Del., 22-27.
Reed & Tucker (Orpheum) Los Angeles; (Orpheum) Salt Lake City 22-27.
Reese & Edwards (Majestic) Providence, R. I., 18-20.
Regal & Mack (Majestic) Providence, R. I., 18-20.
Regals, Three (Orpheum) Minneapolis; (Orpheum) Duluth 22-27.
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Reilly, Chas. (Princess) San Antonio 18-20.
Rekoma (Keith) Toledo, O.; (Temple) Detroit 22-27.
Remple, Bessie, Co. (Keith) Indianapolis; (Keith) Dayton, O., 22-27.
Renne Family (Pantages) Seattle; (Pantages) Vancouver, Can., 22-27.
Reno (Kedzie) Chicago 18-20; (Logan Sq.) Chicago 22-24.
Resista (Majestic) Wichita Falls.
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Reynolds Trio (Maryland) Baltimore 22-27.
Riba, Mlle. (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind., 18-20; (Logan Sq.) Chicago 22-24.
Rice, Chas., & Co. (Orpheum) New York 18-20.
Rials, The (Keith) Columbus, O.; (Keith) Cincinnati 22-27.
Rialto & Lamont (Palace) Molina, Ill., 18-20.
Rice & Elmer (Orpheum) Waco, Tex., 18-20.
Rice & Francis (Loew) Toronto.
Rice & Werner (Keith) Portland, Me.
Richards, Crouch Trio (American) New York 18-20.
Richards, The (Fulton) Brooklyn 18-20.
Rigdon Dancers (Pantages) Los Angeles; (Pantages) San Diego 22-27.
Rigoletto Bros. (Pantages) Missoula, Mont.; (Pantages) Spokane 22-27.
Rinehart & Duff (Orpheum) Joliet, Ill., 18-20; (Majestic) Springfield 22-24.
Ring, Flo. (Greely Sq.) New York 18-20.
Rising Generation (Pantages) Los Angeles; (Savoy) San Diego 22-27.
Rival Artists (Hipp.) Spokane 19-20.
Rives & Arnold (Jeffers-Strand) Saginaw, Mich., 22-24.
Roach & McCurdy (New Grand) Duluth 18-20.
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Rolling Along (Pantages) Vancouver; (Pantages) Victoria 22-27.
Rolls & Royce (Novelty) Topeka, Kan., 18-20; (Princess) Wichita, Kan., 22-24.
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Rooney & Bent Revue (Bushwick) Brooklyn 22-27.
Rose, Ellis & Rose (Orpheum) Quincy, Ill., 18-20; (Orpheum) Peoria 22-24.
Rose of Yamonta (Plaza) Worcester, Mass., 18-20.
Rose & Moon (Orpheum) Salt Lake City; (Orpheum) Denver 22-27.
Rosener, Geo. M. (Keith) Cincinnati.
Rosen, Carl, Co. (Pantages) Spokane; (Pantages) Seattle 22-27.
Rosso (State-Lake) Chicago.
Roth, Dave (Keith) Providence, R. I.; (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y., 22-27.
Rounders, The (Orpheum) Detroit.
Rounders, Three (Polli) Waterbury, Conn., 18-20.
Rowland & Meehan (Pantages) Edmonton; (Pantages) Calgary 22-27.
Roy & Arthur (Orpheum) Winnipeg 22-27.
Royal Hawaiians (Palace) Springfield, Mass., 18-20.
Roy, Ruth (Keith) Syracuse, N. Y.; (Shea) Buffalo 22-27.
Rubetown Follies (Grand) St. Louis; (Washington) Granite City, Ill., 22-24.
Ruberville (Palace) Milwaukee; (State-Lake) Chicago 22-27.
Rubini & Rosa (Pantages) Vancouver; (Pantages) Victoria 22-27.
Rucker & Winfred (Bijou) Lansing, Mich., 18-20.
Rudloff (Keith) Portland, Me., 22-27.
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Rugel, Yvette (Jefferson) New York; (Alhambra) New York 22-27.
Ruloff & Rulowa Ballet (Grand) Centralia, Ill., 18-20.
Ryan & Ryan (Keith) Cincinnati 22-27.
Sabbitt & Brooks (Orpheum) San Francisco; (Orpheum) Oakland 22-27.
Sabina, Vera, Co. (Shea) Buffalo; (Shea) Toronto 22-27.
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Sale, Chick (Hipp.) Youngstown, O.; (Keith) Dayton 22-27.
Salvation Molly (Pantages) Saskatoon 18-20; (Pantages) Edmonton 22-27.
Sananya (Plaza) Worcester, Mass.
Sankus & Silvers (Lyric) Oklahoma City 18-20.
Santley, Zelia (Colonial) Erie, Pa.
Santry's Jazz Band (Maryland) Baltimore; (Keith) Philadelphia 22-27.
Santry & Norton (Princess) Wichita, Kan., 18-20; (Lyric) Oklahoma City 22-24.
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Scanlon & Dennis Bros. (Shea) Buffalo; (Shea) Toronto 22-27.
Schieffelin's Manikins (Davis) Pittsburg 22-27.
Schwartz, Fred, & Co. (Lincoln) Chicago 18-20; (Hipp.) Terre Haute, Ind., 22-24.
Scott, Henri (Orpheum) New Orleans.
Seabury, Wm., & Co. (Majestic) Tulsa; (Orpheum) Kansas City 22-27.
Seeley, Blossom (Orpheum) Memphis, Tenn.; (Orpheum) New Orleans 22-27.
Selbini & Grovini (Majestic) San Antonio.
Semon, Chas. F. (Temple) Rochester, N. Y.; (Shea) Buffalo 22-27.
Seven, Ernest Thompson (Orpheum) Muskogee.
Seton Honey Boys (Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Seymour, H. & A. (Keith) Philadelphia; (Maryland) Baltimore 22-27.
Shapiro & Jordan (Majestic) Houston.
Sharrocks, The (Keith) Boston; (Riverside) New York 22-27.
Shaw, Sandy (Keith) Portland, Me.
Shaw, Lillian (Keith) Providence.
Shaw & Bernard (Orpheum) Clinton, Ia., 18-20.
Shaw & Campbell (Kedzie) Chicago 18-20.
Shayne, Al. (Bonlevard) New York 18-20.
Sheehan & Ford (Majestic) Fort Worth.
Sheldon & Daly (Orpheum) Ottawa, Can.; (Keith) Dayton, O., 22-27.
Sheppard & Dunn (Avenue B) New York 18-20.
Sherman, Van & Hyman (Broadway) Springfield, Mass., 18-20.
Sherman & Pierce (Loew) Knoxville 18-20.
Shirley, Eva, Co. (Shea) Toronto; (Orpheum) Montreal 22-27.
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Sidney & Towney (Pantages) Saskatoon, Can.; (Pantages) Edmonton 22-27.
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Silver Fountain, The (New Grand) Evansville, Ind., 18-20.
Simms & Warfield (Loew) Ottawa, Can.
Singer's Midgets (Orpheum) Madison, Wis., 18-20; (Majestic) Milwaukee 22-27.
Skatelles, The (Family) La Fayette, Ind., 18-20.
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(Palace) Ft. Wayne, Ind., 22-27.
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Stafford, Deross & Co. (Palace) Molina, Ill., 18-20.
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 Terry, Shellah, Co. (Orpheum) Salt Lake City; (Orpheum) Denver 22-27.
 Teschow's Cats (Orpheum) St. Paul; (Orpheum) Minneapolis 22-27.
 Texas Comedy Four (Orpheum) Boston 18-20.
 That Trio (Palace) Hartford, Conn., 18-20.
 Thelma (Windsor) Chicago 18-20; (Virginian) Kenosha, Wis., 22-24.
 Theolore Trio (Loew) Toronto.
 Thornton, James (Proctor) Albany, N. Y.
 Three Chums (Bijou) Lansing, Mich., 18-20; (Orpheum) Jackson 22-27.
 Thunder Mountain (Miles) Toronto, Can.
 Tid Bits of 1920 (Regent) Muskegon, Mich., 22-27.

Wayne, Clifford, Trio (Empress) Grand Rapids, Mich.
Weadick, Guy (Orpheum) Oakland, Cal. 22-27.
Weaver & Weaver (Orpheum) Detroit.
Weber Girls, Three (Orpheum) Portland, Ore.; (Orpheum) San Francisco 22-27.

Captain & the Kids Co., Griff Williams, mgr.: Beloit, Wis., 17; Woodside 18; Stoughton 19; Baraboo 20; Waukesha 21; Janesville 22; Sheboygan 23; Beaver Dam 24; Neenah 25; New London 26; Marinette 27.
Century Revue (Century Roof) New York, indef.
Cinderella on Broadway, with Marie Dressler: (Alvin) Pittsburgh 15-20.

Sunny South, J. C. Rockwell, mgr.: Canton, Ill., 17; Galesburg 18; Monmouth 19; Wapello, Ia., 20; Muscatine 21; West Liberty 22; Iowa City 23; Cedar Rapids, 24; Belle Plaine 25; Tama 26; Newton 27.
Tavern, The: (George M. Cohan) New York, indef.
Ten Nights in a Bar Room, Clyde Anderson, mgr.: Hagerstown, Md., 17; Cumberland 18; Altoona, Pa., 19; Wheeling, W. Va., 20; Uniontown, Pa., 22.

Victor's Orchestra, Michael Victor, dir.: Brooklyn, N. Y., indef.
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32—All Jazz Review: (Avenue) Detroit 15-20; (Academy) Pittsburgh 22-27.
13—Bathing Beauties: (Majestic) Scranton 15-20; (Armory) Binghamton 22-24; Auburn 25; Niagara Falls 26-27.

4-Grown-Up Babies: (Gayety) Minneapolis 15-20; (Gayety) St. Paul 22-27.
 10-Hurly-Burly: (Academy) Buffalo 15-20; (Cadillac) Detroit 12-27.
 1-Jazz Babies: (Haymarket) Chicago 15-20; (Park) Indianapolis 22-27.
 16-Jock Riders: (Gayety) Newark 15-20; Reading 25; (Grand) Trenton 26-27.
 37-Kandy Kids, with Lena Daley: (Park) Indianapolis 15-20; (Gayety) Louisville 22-27.
 17-Kewpie Dolls: (Olympic) New York 15-20; (Gayety) Newark 22-27.
 2-Lid Lifters: (Gayety) Milwaukee 15-20; (Haymarket) Chicago 22-27.
 23-Mischievous Makers: (Howard) Boston 15-20; New Bedford 22-24; Fall River 25-27.
 24-Monte Carlo Girls: (Cohen) Newburg 15-17; (Cohen) Poughkeepsie 18-20; (Howard) Boston 22-27.
 33-Naughty Naughty: (Empire) Cleveland 15-20; (Avenue) Detroit 22-27.
 21-Parisian Flirts: (Grand) Worcester 15-20; (Plaza) Springfield 22-27.
 3-Puss: (Gayety) St. Paul 15-20; (Gayety) Milwaukee 22-27.
 22-Razzle Dazzle: New Bedford 15-17; Fall River 18-20; (Grand) Worcester 22-27.
 20-Record Breakers: (Gayety) Baltimore 15-20; (Folly) Washington 22-27.
 7-Round the Town: (Standard) St. Louis 15-20; (Century) Kansas City 22-27.
 19-Social Follies: Open week 15-20; (Gayety) Brooklyn 22-27.
 24-Some Show: (Lyceum) Columbus 15-20; (Empire) Cleveland 22-27.
 15-Stone & Pillard's Show: Reading 18; (Grand) Trenton 19-20; (Trocaadero) Philadelphia 22-27.
 20-Sweet Sweeties: (Plaza) Springfield, Mass., 15-20; (open week) 22-27.
 20-Tempters: (Star) Brooklyn 15-20; (Empire) Hoboken 22-27.
 25-Tid Bits of 1920: (Empire) Hoboken 15-20; (Cohen) Newburg 22-24; (Cohen) Poughkeepsie 25-27.
 35-Tiddle-De-Winks: (Empress) Cincinnati 15-20; (Lyceum) Columbus 22-27.
 8-Tittle Tattle: (Cadillac) Detroit 15-20; (Englewood) Chicago 22-27.
 25-Whirl of Mirth: (Folly) Washington 15-20; (Bijou) Philadelphia 22-27.
 11-White, Pat, Show: (Star) Toronto 15-20; (Academy) Buffalo 22-27.

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 Alley & Keane's Powder Puff Follies, Y. G. Alley, mgr.: (Majestic) Asheville, N. C., 15-20.
 American Follies, Arthur C. Heubner, mgr.: St. Augustine, Fla., indef.
 Bence's Hello Girls: (Airdome) Miami, Fla., 8-23.
 Chandler Bros.' Broadway Follies: (Grand) Dennison, O., 15-17; (Mystic) Coshocton 18-20; (Alvin) Mansfield 22-27.
 Downard's, Virg. Roseland Girls: (Majestic) Danville, Va., 15-20.
 Fan-Tan Girls, Jay McGee, mgr.: (Garden) Mason City, Ia., 15-27.
 Farnell's, Hap, Funny Folks: (Empress) Fairbury, Neb., indef.
 Forth & Dillinger's Musical Revue, Russ Forth, mgr.: Parkersburg, W. Va., 22-27.
 Frankford's, Milt, Song & Dance Revue: (Victory) Burlington, N. C., 15-20.
 Gerard's, "Happy" Jack, Honey Moon Girls: (Rosemary) Rosemary, N. C., 15-20.
 Hawks, Arthur, Sunshine Revue: (Empress) Lansing, Mich., indef.
 Hawkins-Dyer's Band Box Belles: Bay City, Mich., indef.
 Heston's, Hazel, Babetts: (Lyric) Boone, Ia., indef.
 Heston, Hazel, Ginger Girls: (Olympic) Sioux Falls, S. D., indef.
 Hoce & Moran's Cheerup Girls: (Princess) Youngstown, O., 15-20.
 Hurley's, Oh, Joy, Girls, Fred Hurley, mgr.: (Clifford) Urbana, O., indef.
 Hutchinsons, Jack, Musical Revue: Tampa, Fla., 1-22.
 Hutchinson's Musical Comedy Co.: (Theater) Lakeland, Fla., 15-20.
 Hurley's Oh, Stop, Girls, Al Ritchey, mgr.: (Grand) Morgantown, W. Va., 15-20; (Liberty) Keyser 22-27.
 Hurley's Oh, Say, Girls, Frank Maley, mgr.: (Strand) Grafton, W. Va., 15-20; (Odeon) Clarkburg 22-27.
 Hurley's Oh, Look Girls, Bob Shinn, mgr.: (Imperial) New Kensington, Pa., 15-20; (Altmyer) McKeeseop 22-27.
 Hurley's Oh, Listen, Girls, Jimmy Van, mgr.: (Casino) Washington, Pa., 22-27; (Grand) Dennison, O., 22-27.
 Hurley's Oh, Curly Girls, Fred Hurley, mgr.: (Clifford) Urbana, O., 15-27.
 Isle of Roses, The, Arthur McLeod, mgr.: (American) Erid, Ok., 15-20.
 Jewel-Golden Co.: Shawnee, Ok., 15-20.
 Jones, Harry Musical Comedy Co.: (Beverly) Staunton, Va., indef.
 King's, Frank, Dainty Girls: (Bijou) Quincy, Ill., Aug. 16, indef.
 Light's, Bill, Teddy Bear Girls: Salisbury, N. C., 15-20.
 Loe's, Sam, Co.: (Gem) Little Rock, Ark., indef.
 Lord & Vernon, Musical Comedy Co.: (Sherman) Moose Jaw, Can., indef.
 Meyers, Harry, Syncopated Revue: (Hipp.) Parkersburg, W. Va., 15-20.
 Morton's Musical Extravaganza: (Hippodrome) Jacksonville, Fla., indef.
 Murphy's, Jack, Maryland Beauties: (Arcade) Conellsville, Pa., 15-20; (Grand) Homestead 22-27.
 Newman's, Frank, Century Girls: (Hipp.) Reading, Pa., 15-20.

Oh, My Lady, Co., LeRoy Osborne, mgr.: Niles Mich., 8-13; Bay City 15, indef.
 Oh, My Lady Co., LeRoy Osburn, owner: Bay City, Mich., Nov. 15, indef.
 Pioneer Girls & Boys: Green & Lawler, mgrs.: (New Alhambra) Breckenridge, Tex., 15-27.
 Quinn's, Jack, Dardanella Girls (Superba) Grand Rapids, Mich., indef.
 Reilly's, Fox, Globe Trotters (Central) Pontiac, Mich., indef.
 Shaw's, Cliff, Folly Girls: (Grand) Hazelwood, Pa., Oct. 23, indef.
 Thomas & Bundy's California Blossoms: (Victoria) Wilmington, N. C., 15-20.
 Wall's Sapphire Girls: (Magic) St. Omaha, Neb., indef.
 Wall's Vampire Girls, Lawrence P. Wall, mgr.: (Magic) Omaha, Neb., indef.
 Wehle's, B'illy, Blue Grass Belles, Bill Wehle, mgr.: Muskogee, Ok., indef.
 Wehle's, Billy, Bright Lights, C. E. Wilkinson, mgr.: (Liberty) Blackwell, Ok., 15-20.
 Wehle's, Billy, International Revue, J. Y. Lewis, mgr.: (Majestic) Evansville, Ind., indef.
 Wehle's, Billy, Let 'Er Go, Walter Deering, mgr.: (Crystal) San Angelo, Tex., indef.
 Wehle's, Billy, My Dardanella Girl, Jess Buttons, mgr.: (Palace) Kiefer, Ok., 18-20.
 Wehle's, Billy, Nauchtr Naughty, Joe Owens, mgr.: (Wenderson) Tulsa, Ok., 15-20.
 Wills Musical Comedy Co., Fred Frazer, mgr.: (Priscilla) Cleveland, O., 15-20; (Princess) Youngstown 22-27.

MINSTRELS

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Coburn's, J. A., Cedarstown, Ga., 16; Gadsden, Ala., 17; Annilton 18, Selma 19; West Point, Ga., 20; Opelika, Ala., 22-23; Madison, Ga., 24; Athens 25.
 Famous Georgia, Arthur Hockwald, mgr.: Albuquerque, N. M., 17; Santa Fe 18; Las Vegas 19; Raton 20; Trinidad, Col., 21; Walsburg 22; Pueblo 23; Colorado Springs 24; Cheyenne, Wyo., 25; Greeley 26; Ft. Collins 27.
 Field, Al G., Paris, Tex., 17; Texarkana 18; Shreveport, La., 19-21; Little Rock, Ark., 22-24; Memphis, Tenn., 25-27.
 Harvey's Greater, R. M. Harvey, mgr.: Horton, Kan., 17; Holton 18; St. Joe, Mo., 19-20; Richmond 22; Clinton 23; Jefferson City 24; Sedalia 25; Quincy, Ill., 26; Jacksonville 27.
 Herbert's, Jos. C., Colored: Plattburg, N. Y., 17.
 Hill, Gus: Savannah, Ga., 17-18; Augusta 19-20; Anderson 22; Rome 23; Gadsden 24; Annilton 25; Birmingham 26-27.
 White, Lasses: Cliftonville, O., 17; Newark 18; Cambridge 19; Zanesville 20.
 Moose Minstrels, Bert Wilson, mgr.: Philadelphia, Pa., indef.
 O'Brien's, Nell: Harrisburg, Pa., 16-17; Johnstown 18; Wilkes-Barre 19-20; Scranton 22; Pittston 23; Allentown 24; Wilmington, Del., 25-27.
 Price & Bonnell's: New Martinsville, W. Va., 17; Sistersville 18; Moundsville 19; St. Marys 20; Pomeroy, O., 22.
 Vogel's, John W.: Macon, Miss., 17; Columbus 18; Aberdeen 19.
 Welch, Emmett: (Dumont) Philadelphia Sept. 6, indef.

STOCK & REPERTOIRE

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Academy Players: (Academy) Haverhill, Mass., indef.
 Adams, Jas., Floating Theater: Denton, Md., 15-20; Greensboro 22-27.
 Alcazar Players: (Alcazar) San Francisco, indef.
 Allen Players: (Hipp.) Tacoma, Wash., indef.
 Auditorium Players: Maiden, Mass., indef.
 Beach-Jones Players: (New Garrick) Fond du Lac, Wis., 15-20; (Majestic) Stevens Point 22-27.
 Blaney Stock Co.: (Prospect) Bronx, New York, Sept. 1, indef.
 Blaney Players: (Yorkville) New York, indef.
 Buckley & Sullivan Players: (Warburton) Lonsdale, N. Y., indef.
 Chase-Lister Theater Co., Glenn F. Chase, mgr.: Alliance, Neb., 15-20; Broken Bow 22-27.
 Clements, Johnny, & Co., No. 1: Chicago 15-20; Cincinnati 22-27.
 Clements, Johnny, & Co., No. 2: Elmira, N. Y., 15-20; Syracuse 22-27.
 Colonial Players: Lawrence, Mass., indef.
 Coulthard-DeVoto Players: Warsaw, Mo., 15-20.
 Corse-Payton Stock Co.: (Amphion) Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 16, indef.
 Fourteenth St. Theater Stock Co.: New York, indef.
 Gifford-Young Stock Co.: (Metropolitan) Rochester, Minn., 15-20; (Auditorium) Red Wing 22-27.
 Gilbert Players (Strand) Aurora, Ill., Sept. 6, indef.
 Glaser, Vaughan, Stock Co.: Rochester, N. Y., indef.
 Harrison Stock Co., J. D. Colgrove, mgr.: Hugo, Ok., 15-20; Wynnewood 22-27.
 Hawkins-Webb Players: Flint, Mich., indef.
 Hillman's Ideal Stock Co., F. P. Hillman, mgr.: Idaulea, Neb., 18-20.
 Jewett, Henry, Players: (Copley) Boston, indef.
 Justia-Romain Co.: (Home) Hutchinson, Kan., Nov. 8, indef.
 Keith Players: (Hudson) Union Hill, N. J., indef.
 Lawrence, Del. Players: (People's) Sacramento, Cal., indef.
 Lewis, Gene-Olga Worth Stock Co., Gene Lewis, mgr.: Beaumont, Texas, Sept. 12, indef.
 Lunniger, Al, Stock Co.: Quincy, Mass., 13, indef.
 McArdie, Clyde, Players: Somerville, Mass., indef.
 MacLean, Pauline, Players (Music Hall) Akron, O., Sept. 6, indef.
 Majestic Theater Stock Co.: Los Angeles, Cal., indef.
 Manville Bros.' Comedians: Nacogdoches, Tex., 15-20.
 Marks, Tom, Co.: Perth, Ont., Nov. 15, indef.
 Melville's, Bert, Comedians: Little Rock, Ark., indef.

Morocco Stock Co.: (Morocco) Los Angeles, Cal., indef.
 Morris Stock Co., Bankson-Morris, mgrs.: Hollis, Ok., 15-20.
 Murrlock Bros.' Comedians, Geo. Bishop, mgr.: Epping, N. H., 15-20.
 National Theater Stock Co.: Chicago, Ill., Aug. 22, indef.
 New Garrick Players: (New Garrick) St. Paul, Minn., indef.
 North Bros.' Stock Co., Harry North, mgr.: (Sun) Springfield, O., Sept. 6, indef.
 Orpheum Stock Co.: Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., indef.
 Park Theater Stock Co.: Utica, N. Y., indef.
 Poll Stock Co.: (Poll) New Haven, Conn., indef.
 Poll Stock Co.: Bridgeport, Conn., indef.
 Shannon Stock Co., Harry Shannon, mgr.: Marietta, O., 15-20; Coshocton 22-27.
 Sheerman Stock Co.: (Empress) Butte, Mont., Sept. 5, indef.
 Shubert Players: (Shubert) Minneapolis, Minn., indef.
 Toby Players: (Home) Hutchinson, Kan., indef.
 Tuson-Clark Players: Junction City, O., 15-20; Shawnee 22-27.
 Wilkes Players: (Denham) Denver, Col., indef.
 Wilkes Stock Co.: (Wilkes) Seattle, Wash., Aug. 31, indef.
 Williams, Ed, Stock Co.: (Orpheum) Racine, Wis., indef.
 Winnipeg Players: Winnipeg, Man., Can., indef.
 Winninger, Frank, Comedy Co.: Watertown, Wis., 15-20; Janesville 22-27.
 Woodward Players: (Woodward) Spokane, Wash., Aug. 28, indef.
 Wray, John, Stock Co.: (Strand) San Diego, Cal., indef.
 Young-Adams Co.: (Queen Square) St. John, N. B., Can., Sept. 13, indef.

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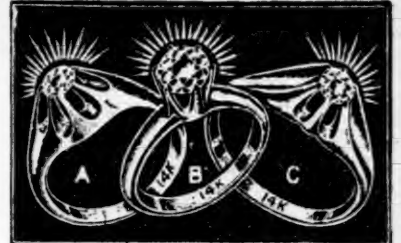
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Boston Symphony Orchestra: (Symphony Hall) Boston Oct. 8-March 18; (24 Fri. Aft., 24 Sat. Eve. Concerts).
 Bloch, Mr. & Mrs. Alexander: (Acolian Hall) New York 22.
 Brown, Eddy: (Coliseum) Dallas, Tex., 22.
 Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Frederick Stock, conductor: (Pabst Theater) Milwaukee 29.
 Claussen, Mme. Julia: Reading, Pa., 23.
 Creator Grand Opera Co.: (Duquesne) Pittsburgh 17-20.
 Davis, Ruben: (Coliseum) Dallas, Tex., 22.
 Dilling, Mildred: (Waldorf-Astoria) New York City 18.
 Fox, Franklin (Terrace Garden) Chicago, indef.
 Garden, Mary: Detroit 18.
 Hackett, Chas.: Washington, 17.
 Hempel, Frieda (National) Washington, D. C., 19.
 Kiebler, Fritz: (Carnegie Hall) New York City 16-18; Milwaukee 20; (Gray's Armory) Cleveland 20.
 Kubelik, Jan: (Carnegie Music Hall) Pittsburgh 25.
 Lazzari, Caroline: Washington, D. C., 17.
 Letz Quartet: New York, 21.
 Lost Princess, The, by Denver Community Service: Denver 25.
 Minder, George: Chicago 23.
 Morgan, George: (Carnegie Hall) Pittsburgh 22.
 New York Symphony Orchestra: (National) Washington, D. C., 23.
 Rachmaninoff: Pittsburgh 18; Detroit 22.
 Reuter, Rudolph: (Acolian Hall) New York 18.
 Riley-Gaynor: (Auditorium) Denver, Col., 25.
 Samaroff, Olga: Chicago 23.
 Schumann-Henk, Mame: (Carnegie Music Hall) Pittsburgh 22.
 Seidle, Toscha: Cincinnati, O., 23.
 Zucca, Maria: Yonkers, N. Y., 22.

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Almond, Jethro, Show: Laurinburg, N. C., 15-20.
 Bragg's, Geo. M., Big Vaudeville Circus: (Lindsay) Bangor, Me., 15-20.
 Blackstone: (Victoria) Chicago 15-20; (Imperial) Chicago 22-27.
 Brush Edwin & Olivar, Filipinos: Bridgeport, Neb., 17-25.
 Burton, Harry F., Magician: New York, indef.
 Daniel, B. A.: Everett, Wash., 18; Snohomish 19; Wellington 20.
 Gilbert's, R. A., Hypnotic Shows: (Garden) Stuttgart, Ark., 15-20.
 Happy Night in Dixie, A, Earle & Schneider, mgrs.: Lakota, Ia., 17; Armstrong 18; Luverne 19; Wesley 20; Alexander 26; Thornton 28; Kleunme 24; Goodell 25; Rowan 28; Delmond 27.
 Heverly, The Great, & Co.: Estevan, Saskatchewan, Can., 18-21; Weyburn 22-24; Suanavanan 25-27.
 Homer, Hermann: Wesson, Miss., 18; New Hebron 19; Bassfield 20.
 Lewis Family, Harry Lewis, mgr.: 630 Sac Pedro st. Los Angeles, Cal., indef.
 Lucey's Joy Singers, Thos. Elmore Lucey, mgr.: Shaw, Ark., 18; West Helena 19; Tunica, Miss., 22; Somerville, Tenn., 23; Bemis 24.
 McClung, C. C., Tattoo Parlor: Dallas, Tex., 10-30.
 Makalo's Hawaiians, R. W. Mathews, mgr.: Houston, Tex., 15-20.
 Mysterious Smith: Duncan, Ok., 15-20.
 Newman, The Scientific Sensation: Glasgow, Mont., 17-18; Chinook 19-21; Havre 22-24; Fort Benton 25-27.
 Reno, Great, & Co.: Texarkana, Ark., 15-20; Hope 22-27.
 Rex, Mental Wizard, J. J. Wilson, mgr.: (Murph. O. H.) Front Royal, Va., 22-23; (Star) Waynesboro 24-27; (Globe) Buena Vista 20-27.
 Richards, Ralph, The Wizard: Atlanta, Ga., 15-17.
 Thurston, Magician: (Opera House) Wilkes-Pa., 18-20; (Lyceum) Paterson, N. J., 22-27.
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 El Reno, Ok., Elks' Charity Fair, Chas. H. Tompkins, mgr.: 22-27.
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"THE UNWRITTEN CHAPTER"

A New Play by Samuel Shipman and Victor Victor. Staged by Robert Milton.

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THE SAME OLD STUFF

The New York World, whose expose of the building situation in Manhattan has resulted in most sensational developments before the Lockwood legislative investigating committee, has taken on another job, the showing up of the ticket speculating graft. Every season someone stirs up the malodorous conduct of theater ticket sales. It gets just so far. Theater managers who are hand in glove with the grafters profess the most virtuous intentions, declare to high heaven that they have nothing to do with plundering the public, and shout that the iniquitous practice must stop. Some poor sidewalk "ape" is arrested, a great hullabaloo is made by some notoriety-seeking light of the law, a coat of judicial whitewash is smeared over the affair, and the gouging of the theater patron goes on its merry way. The blame belongs to the men who control the tickets originally at the theater box-office. Contemporary producers, as a class, are not shown at all. They care nothing for art and less for the theater itself, except as a field for mercenary exploitation. They belong to the shoe-string class of gamblers. They "take a chance" on a show (preferably a dirty one), give it all the prurient advertising they can get from any and every angle, whet the curiosity of the depraved, and when the boom has been launched enter into an agreement with the ticket speculators for the sale of enough seats to get them "off the nut," as the patois of the show world has it. It is not alone in the department of dirt that these gentlemen operate. Some of the higher grade shows get the same treatment. For instance, take "The First Year." Two nights after the piece opened at the Little Theater I went to the box-office for seats myself, and was informed that there was nothing at all for the following week in the orchestra. It is a small theater to be sure, and it may have been that the people who wanted to see the show waited up for the reviews to appear, and finding out that it had been passed and approved immediately camped on the door step of the theater and waited for the box-office to open to get tickets. In all probability so many besieged the treasurer of the Little Theater that the whole orchestra floor was swallowed at once. Yet strange to say tickets for the same week were to be had at the ticket agencies on Broadway, although none could be bought at the box-office. Certainly there is no collusion between the box-office and the agency grafters. The plain truth is that the managers do not want to stop the graft because they profit by it themselves. The benefit performance given by the Actors' Equity during the strike proved that an honest management and an honest box-office can stop the spoilation of the public. There were one or two attempts on the part of speculators to sell tickets for those performances (it is impossible to forestall them from getting hold of some tickets), but the salesmen were arrested on evidence secured by members of the union and fined. That stopped it. One way to put an end to the evil would be for the theater managers to open combined ticket bureaus in several central places, charge enough advance on the box-office price to pay for the upkeep of the branches and try to deal fairly with the people who put money in their pockets. There are dozens of other schemes whereby the public could be protected, but none of them will be tried. The American theater is run on the "Trim the Suckers" plan and it will continue to be so run until the institution itself comes under the complete control of the people who make it a theater, the actors. I wish the World good luck and Godspeed, but if it can clean out the Augean stables of the commercialized, plundered, brutalized show houses of New York it will have accomplished a feat in comparison to which the jobs of Hercules were kindergarten pastimes.—PATTERSON JAMES.

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A cynical addition to the Eight Beautitudes says "Blessed is the man who expects nothing, for he shall not be disappointed." Don't take the judgment of people who indulge in constant superlatives for anything. They are in the same intellectual class with persons who say, with a goteous popping of the eyes, "Don't you just LOVE that?" "Hitchy-Koo, 1920" was touted to us as quite the best ever. We looked forward to a great evening with G. P. Huntley and we were greatly disappointed. Not that the show is bad. It isn't. In spots it is excellent. The Mosconi Family, minus father, would save any piece. They do that to "Hitchy-Koo, 1920." They bring the vigor, the enthusiasm, the conviction of their own ability from the vaudeville theater into the production at the New Amsterdam and they dance away with the honors. Mr. Huntley has pitifully little to do. What he has is, of course, well done, but it is too sketchy. Mr. Hitchcock is mournfully droll at times, but, he, too, suffers from lack of material. Certainly both these gentlemen have had enough experience in the business to dig out some forgotten scenes from other days and bolster up the show in the comedy department. There is nothing reticent about Mr. Hitchcock's resurrection of the "camphor" g.g. Methuselah was an infant in arms when that was first told. And it goes yet. There is vast prestige in store for some actor with initiative and courage enough to revive "Pick up my old hat," "Flour in the face" and "Hat-ohet in the head" and put them in "a production." He will be hailed by vealy dramatic reviewers as a comedian of unrivaled creativeness. There are any number of old afterpieces which can be dressed up to make an evening's hilarious entertainment. The version of "Irish Justice" now running under the name of "Lightnin'" is the best proof that it can be done. Perhaps Mr. Hitchcock is not up in "nigger acts," but he ought to be. The "camphor" gag proves that he has a memory if he is minded to exercise it. "Hitchy-Koo, 1920" itself is a proof in point. Think of La Lole Fuller's "Serpentine" dance being revived by Florence O'Denishawn and made into one of the prettiest bits in the show. It is thirty years old if it is a day!

Julia Sanderson, like her co-stars, has little to do. She is as pretty as ever, but her type does not fit into the semi-jazz atmosphere of the show. She is out of the picture completely. Charles Withers, with his vaudeville rough house satire, "For Pit's Sake," gets little until he does the slide in the paste at the finish of the turn. Then the audience howls. Another argument for the old rough comedy. Audiences love it, especially when they pay three-thirty to see it. Custard pie means nothing at ten cents a cut, but when you boost the price to three dollars (and more) it is sure to be delicious. The chorus is extremely good looking and almost sings. Billy Holbrook and Henry Lingon, as the race horse, "Ethel," are very funny. If you go to "Hitchy-Koo, 1920" go in the expectation of getting the usual cheating and you will be pleasantly disappointed. Otherwise the cynical addition to the Eight Beautitudes goes as it lays.—PATTERSON JAMES.

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About This Season's New York Productions

WILLIAM A. BRADY (In Association With Reandean, London) Presents "THE SKIN GAME"

A Tragi-Comedy in Three Acts by John Galsworthy

Nothing could better illustrate the snobbery of the New York newspaper critics than the trash that was printed the morning after the presentation of Galsworthy's "The Skin Game." In their eagerness to beat the sounding brass and clash the tinkling cymbal, which constitute the full orchestra of the little brethren of the intellectual newly rich, the reviewers overslopped themselves. They slouched around in "fine" writing. They expatiated on its "intense psychology." They poured forth a tidal wave of platitudinous nothings on its "true dramatic worth" and all the other sub-dub which characterizes the literary efforts of very young collegians in Freshman English. Why? Because it was written by John Galsworthy and "our" king can do no wrong. If "The Skin Game" had been the work of Joe Doakes or Paddy McCann or Moe Greenblatt it would have been slammed by the same reviewers from the footlights to the back walk and kicked from the stage to the gridiron. The man who invented the supplication, "Deliver me from my friends!" might, in the case of Mr. Galsworthy, supplement it to read, "Yea, bo, and from them that wants to be my friends!"

As a matter of fact "The Skin Game" is not a good play at all. It has interest of a sort, but of real drama nothing. There isn't a single big moment in it, and there is nothing extraordinary about the character delineation. There is some shrewd wit and plain courage in telling of the story. Included in the "true dramatic worth" is a lady with a past who sneaks not once but many times about her "unborn child." The next time that startling bit of dramatic novelty is hurled over the footlights at me something will happen. I have heard at least 4,685,930,063 1/4 "unborn children" mentioned this year and at the rate of infantile practiced in the drama old man Mathus should come into his own speedily. It is all so tiresome, so moth eaten, so jejune. And really it simply isn't done by our best playmakers. With the exception of Joan Maclean, Cynthia Brooke, Arthur Bowyer and Herbert Lomas the cast is ordinary. Since it is a play of English life the actors are all English. Josephine Victor is under a handicap both as the lady with a past and an unh. ch. and also because she is the only obvious American in the cast, which makes for dialect differences that are not pleasant. An English actress would have fitted better into the picture and Miss Victor would have missed nothing by not taking the job. But why when about to commit suicide by the rough-on-rats route or the old family mere or the bicarbonate method or whatever machinery she uses off stage "to accomplish her purpose" (there's a phrase that Mr. Galsworthy missed) she should doll herself up in a perfectly gorgeous evening frock, with a lovely fur-trimmed cloak to match, is an inscrutable mystery which only the mind of a leading woman can fathom. She doesn't kill herself really, which is just as well, because she did look so pretty and it would be a shame to get that frock all messed up in dying. It is only fair to say that Mr. Galsworthy had no part in printing in the program the fact that the pearls used by Miss Victor are thru the courtesy of Mr. Someone-or-Other and her "jodry" by some Miss So-and-So. There is one line in the piece worth while. It is the tag, "What good is gentility if it won't stand fire?" By the same token what good is a play, even by John Galsworthy, if it won't stand the same test? —PATTERSON JAMES.

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MAGIC AND MAGICIANS

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 teries of science. The real names of the officers and members of the organization are cloaked in nom de plumes so far as the public is concerned. Only those who can show tangible evidence of being interested in magic are admitted to their charmed circle.

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An entire thimble act and a raft of the effects are contained in the current issue of The N. C. A. Digest.

have to be paid for at the same rates as the lost tickets. I would like for you to have four or six children sell tickets in advance and you may give a child's ticket for each ten tickets sold, but this does not apply to children selling tickets to parties after they arrive on the ground that night. Reserved seat tickets will be furnished, if desired. Do not let the number of complimentary tickets exceed ten, without notifying me, please.
 "Where towns are not situated on the railroad I expect my transportation to and from the station, and when the distance necessitates back fare from station to hotel and return you will be responsible for that. And when I am obliged to leave on early morning trains our breakfast is served at the hotel I expect you to allow me 75 cents to pay for my breakfast elsewhere. It is probable that I will be in your section before long, so kindly give me a PROMPT reply, as I am obliged to know some weeks ahead. Now in giving entertainments on the per cent plan I am obliged to reach the towns in the most economical manner, especially since the cost of traveling has increased, so I hope that you will not ask for any certain night in the week for your town, but use the date most convenient to my route. If any nights are occupied regularly you may specify them, but my experience has been that local parties are usually willing to change their hour, and avoid conflict, if the situation is fully explained to them. Also let me know which program you prefer, and if you have a piano in auditorium. Another rule that I insist upon is that you have grown people for door-keepers, and that tickets be sold and collected, instead of receiving cash fares, and that a settlement be made at the close of the entertainment. Years of experience in dealing with the public has taught me that this is the only accurate way for both of us to get a square deal. I am sure that you will see the wisdom of that rule and co-operate with me.

"Now, in order that no misunderstandings may occur, please go over my letter, which is the same as a contract, carefully, and answer all questions in first letter so that I may not only know how to plan, but that both of us may be spared any extra expense of writing. Or you may need someone during the season to coach a play for your school, or to train your pupils for a contest. If so, I do such work on reasonable terms, and if my time is not all taken up I will be glad to do that for you. If you are not interested in this proposition please hand my letter to someone who you think will be. May I not hear from you by return mail?"

NEW THEATERS

W. T. Davis is erecting a \$25,000 theater at Hartington, Tex. The house will seat 700, and will be devoted exclusively to moving pictures.
 A \$100,000 picture house is being built by the Cambridge Amusement Co. at Cambridge, Md. Sam Hefley, owner of the Wonderland, Cameron, Tex., is planning a new theater in that city.
 Arrangements for the opening of a moving picture theater at Stuart, Ok., have been completed by J. M. Armstrong.
 Another picture theater will be erected by M. Switow at Louisville, Ky. Mr. Switow has built five theaters in that city, and one in Jeffersonville, Ind. The new house will represent an expenditure of \$200,000.
 D. C. Markowitz, general manager of the Crescent Theaters Corp., and A. N. Jackson, secretary-treasurer of the same concern, are planning to erect a theater at Fresno, Cal. The new house will cost about \$250,000.
 Fieldale, Va., near Martinsville, is having a new, up-to-date picture theater erected with a seating capacity of 550. The new house will be arranged so as to accommodate vaudeville and drama. Edw. W. Lilley, who is managing the Broadway, may assume the management of the new theater.

Marriages

(Continued from page 42)
 in honor of the newly wedded couple, upon whom various gifts were bestowed.
 SHORT-MARSHALL—Joe Short, midjet clown with the Ringling-Barnum Circus the past season, was married to Helen Marshall, nonprofessional, in Detroit, Mich., August 2, he has just announced.
 STERN-RIBAT—Julius Stern, motorcycle rider, and Olga Bibat, piano player with "The Gold Diggers," were married at the Municipal Building, New York City, November 10.
 WOOD-HOPKINS—Freeman Nelson Wood, nonprofessional, and May Hopkins, actress with the Goldwyn Picture Corporation, were married March 16, it has just been learned. Miss Hopkins was with the Grace George Company in "The Ruined Lady" at the time of the marriage.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. L. Levitch, an eight-pound girl, in Memphis, Tenn., November 8.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ball, a nine-and-a-half-pound boy, in St. Louis, Mo., November 6. Mr. Ball will open at the Venice Gardens, Milwaukee, Wis., December 6.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wood, a 12-pound boy. Mr. Wood is connected with the Queen and Crescent Shows.



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For Howe's London Shows

Management Tenders Farewell Dinner at Jackson, Mo., Closing Stand—Show Will Be Enlarged

The Howe Great London Shows closed the season November 6 at Jackson, Mo. Only one performance was given, and despite a continuous light rain business was fair.

The biggest feature of the day was a big farewell dinner tendered by the management to everyone connected with the show. The cookhouse was tastefully decorated with flags and bunting, and Steward Fred Davis and Chef Frank Jackson fairly outdid themselves. The menu was as follows:

Fruit Cocktail	Cream of Celery Soup
Hot Rolls	Saltines
Celery	Sweet Pickles
Roast Turkey Stuffed With Oysters	Olives
Cranberry Sauce	Potato Croquettes
French Peas	Sweet Corn en Casserole
	Combination Salad
	Neapolitan Ice Cream
Assorted Fancy Cakes	After Dinner Mints
Assorted Nuts	Coffee

The side-show jazz band played during the festivities and everyone joined in the singing, ending up with "Auld Lan Syne." Then came the handshakes and farewells, and there was scarcely a dry eye in the whole gathering as these manifestations of friendship and good will took place. As if to cap the climax of the day of festivities one of the Axix deers in the menagerie gave birth to a cute little baby deer. The new arrival has been named Jackson in honor of the closing stand.

The show will winter at West Baden, Ind. Many showfolks rode the train as far as Cairo and Louisville, then proceeded to their respective destinations. Several department superintendents and members of the staff accompanied the show into winter quarters, where they will be occupied in greatly enlarging and generally improving the show. Almost all equipment will be renewed and several new flats, stock cars and coaches will be added.

The writer overheard the following plans of various members: Dan Hoffman, contracting agent, is Chicago bound and will take out a road production now rehearsing. Jimmie Albanese, treasurer, has lately interested himself in aviation and goes to Columbus, O., where he has acquired a brand new Curtiss plane. Leo Tullis, chief of inside ticket sales, proceeds to Chicago to occupy his newly completed home in the suburbs. Harry Mink, of the commissary department, will reopen his New York office for the sale of theatrical wardrobe. Chas. F. (Continued on page 63)

GOLDSBORO (N. C.) NOTES

By HERMAN JOSEPH

Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey Shows closed a successful season at Richmond, Va., October 27, and since that time the writer has met many circus folks who are playing vaudeville down South.

The Dekos Troupe opened at the Academy Theater, Richmond, Monday, November 8, and the act went over big.

Had a letter from Tom Hart, stating that he visited the New York Hippodrome, and that the Hanneford Family is one of the biggest hits of the show.

Fat and Laura Valdo, also Fred Meers, will spend a few weeks on their farm in East Brookfield, after which they will play vaudeville with their new act. Paul Jerome has been en-

INGERSOLL (N. C.) NOTES

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gaged to play clown for the Bailey Co., Cleveland, O., for six weeks.

Goldsboro is certainly coming to the front, so far as theaters are concerned. The new house is a pretty one. It is called the Messenger Opera House, and runs only first-class photographs, besides a six-piece orchestra. It is managed by I. Wenke, a young man from Baltimore, and is doing big business. The Acme Theater is playing first-class pictures and musical comedy and doing well.

The writer noticed an ad in The Billboard regarding the big bag sale at the Goldsboro Mail Order House. Wish to state that I bought one, and found it the biggest bargain for the money.

MRS. ETHEL SHAFER

In Sanitarium at Santa Fe, N. M.—Thanks Friends for Donations

Mrs. Ethel Shafer, wife of Fred L. Shafer and who was compelled to leave the Campbell-Bailey-Hutchinson Circus in Alabama on account of her health, writes The Billboard from Santa Fe, N. M., under date of October 30, as follows: "I am ill in the St. Vincent Sanitarium here. I wish to thank the ladies of the above-mentioned show for their kindness to me this summer while I was sick. I have not been able to write since leaving the show. I also wish to thank the people of the Al G. Barnes Show for what they did for me. Owing to bad luck this summer my bank roll was rather small, and after my long trip I was almost broke. I arrived in Santa Fe on October 28, and found to my surprise the Barnes Show to be in here the next day. After I had found out the rates of the Sanitarium, which are \$35 a week and all medicine extra, and that one has to pay two weeks in advance, I found I was \$15 short of the amount for my first two weeks. So the only thing to do was try to borrow it, but when the people saw the condition I was in and found out that I was short of funds Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Barry got busy, and during their acts made up a purse of \$49 for me. I also wish to say the donation to me was the seventh they had on the show that week, also the day before pay day.

"I hope to be able to meet all of you people next year, and be in better health. If it hadn't been for you I could not have entered the Sanitarium when I did. I cannot thank you enough for what you have done for me, and may God's richest blessings be with all of you. I will be glad to hear from all of my friends, as I am alone and know no one."

INDOOR CIRCUS A SUCCESS

The indoor show known as the Olympian Circus, which was held recently in St. Louis for the benefit of the Catholic Women's League of Missouri, was a success in every way. Most of the people left for Chicago after the engagement.

The program was one of the best ever presented by an indoor circus, and the clowning went over good. The following clowns worked the engagement: Arthur Borella, Danny McAvoy, Paul Jerome, Bill Koplin, Bill Ward, Harry Thompson, Leo Hendryx, Leo Hamilton, Ed St. Clair, Fred Stelling, Mack McCree, Jimmy Spriggs, Bill Tadlock, Ed Nemo, Albert Gaston, Sam Bennett, Ward Wright, Al White, Earl Shipley and Danny McPride. A list of the acts was published in the last issue.

GENTRY NO. 1 CAR CLOSES

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SHROPSHIRE'S MOTORIZED SHOW

In Winter Quarters at Maysville, Ky.

Maysville, Ky., Nov. 11.—Shropshire's Motorized Show closed its season at Hardyville, Ky., on October 29 because of the cold weather prevailing. Otherwise the closing would have been November 6, as intended.

The show opened its season on January 4 at Clinton, Miss., and had a ten months' tour, which carried it over four thousand miles. During the spring a few days were lost because of the inclement weather, but not a stand was lost throughout the entire season on account of motor trouble. For the first three months the show had had "sledding" in Mississippi, due to muddy roads and bad business, but business and conditions were better in Tennessee and Kentucky. After the closing of the tour the show traveled to this city, where it will spend the winter in quarters.

Harmon James, in charge of trucks, will remain in Maysville, as will A. Jackson, and put the trucks to hauling tobacco. Prof. O. E. Dunwick, bandmaster, has left for Bedford, Ind. The Irwin Family dropped off in Georgetown, Ky., and started for Steepleville, Mo. Mr. Shropshire will do some steppin' about this winter. Mrs. Shropshire is wearing a smile, as she is exceedingly glad to get home. She has certainly done her bit for the past two seasons.

FRANK M. SWAN

Finishes Season's Duties—Returns to Newspaper Work for Winter

Frank M. Swan closed a season of 28 weeks as press agent of Gentry Bros.' Famous Shows and Wild Animal Circus at Sealy, Tex., on November 8. He reports the show has had a very successful season, and Messrs. Newman & Austin, the proprietors, are well satisfied with the excellent business done. The show closes at Rosenberg, Tex., on November 29 and will go direct to the winter headquarters at Houston. The show made the following States this season: Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Utah, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico and California.

Mr. Swan will winter in Galveston, Tex., being connected with The Galveston Daily Tribune until the bluebirds commence to sing again.

NEUMANN IN SOUTH

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Edward P. Neumann, president of the United States Tent and Awning Co., is in the South, closing contracts for new canvas with the shows for next season. Mr. Neumann has written The Billboard from Dothan, Ala., that he had made several big contracts with several circuses, and that the shows are enlarging their size in anticipation of big business for the 1921 season.

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UNDER THE MARQUEE

By CIRCUS BOLLY

Tom McConnell and wife are spending the winter at their home in Ironton, O., after closing a pleasant season with the Ringling-Barnum Show.

H. M. South, late boss billposter of the Rhoda Royal Circus, is now in Birmingham, Ala., having accepted his old position with the Birmingham Billposting Company.

Car No. 2 of the Walter L. Main Circus closed its season at Franklin, Va., and went direct to winter quarters at Havre de Grace, Md., with Josh Billings in charge.

Jack Wilson, advertising banner man with the Walter L. Main Shows, writes that he closed the season with that attraction, and is now located in Memphis, the Elks' Club there being his favorite lounging rooms.

Fred L. Shafer, who has been looking after the quarters of the Rhoda Royal Show at Montgomery, Ala., for a few weeks, joined the show at Quincy, Fla., to finish out the season.

The circus world would like to hear from Mr. Daley who toured South America with Ship & Felus Circus. We wonder if this is the same Joseph Daley who was with H. M. Howard's Poles?

Claude I. Kutz, who was with the band on the John Robinson Show this season, has returned to his home at Myerstown, Pa., and is at present playing flute in the orchestra at the moving picture theater there.

Frank C. Weldon, circus electrician, who, according to police, was robbed and beaten when in a room in a Cincinnati hotel recently, has been released from the General Hospital. It is said that the robbers secured \$300.

San Luis Obispo, Cal., will be the closing stand of the Al G. Barnes Circus November 20. "Governor" Al G. is spending quite a sum of money on his new winter quarters at Culver City, Cal. The season has been a big winner for this show.

James M. Beach, who closed his season's duties as assistant traffic manager and general contracting agent with the Walter L. Main Shows at Franklin, Va., several weeks ago, has returned to his home in Seneca Falls, N. Y., for the winter.

Brotherly love is not extinct among circus agents. Sometime during the summer down Memphis was an agent put up a lot of paper for the agent that was to follow him, and he incidentally put in a couple of good words for the others. Yes, bo.

A freighter recently arrived in New York from Sydney, Australia, with more than 4,000 specimens of animals, birds and reptiles, including almost everything from a jumping kangaroo to a wabbling wombat. They were for the Bronx (N. Y.) Zoo.

K. Y. Kira, who furnishes all the Singalese performers for circuses and theatrical productions, is operating the Ceylon restaurant in New York and is receiving patronage from circus men who were formerly with the Ringling-Barnum Circus, with which he was formerly identified.

The official season's route book of the Howe Great London Shows is a neatly gotten up affair and contains a complete list of names of members of the staff and all departments, in addition to the route and other data, and on the last page appears a tribute to the late Louis D. Therman, manager, who met his death on May 26 at Danville, Ont., Can. The booklet was issued by John F. Busch, musical director with the show.

William L. Montague, P. O. Box 367, Hartford, Conn., is compiling a scrap book, and is anxious to get a copy of The Billboard dated March 31, 1917, which contained a tribute paid to the memory of Capt. Jack Bonavita. The Billboard's supply of this issue is exhausted, but probably a reader of this department will be able to furnish Mr. Montague with a copy, or if not the entire copy, the first page of the circus department containing the boxed tribute.

Jerome T. Harriman writes from Baltimore, Md., that the veteran boss hostler, Jack Kent, for many years with the John Robinson Circus



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and the past season with the Walter L. Main Shows, is suffering with blood poisoning in his left leg, as a result of being kicked by a horse, and is at present confined in Ward G, Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, and would appreciate hearing from his friends. Mr. Kent is now 78 years of age, and altho incapacitated at present for duty, says he will "put it on" and "take it off" the lot for many years yet. Drop this old trumper a few lines.

E. H. (Little Giant) Luche, for the past two seasons on the advance with the Ringling-Barnum & Bailey Car No. 1, after spending several weeks at his home in Newark, N. J., has been enjoying a two weeks' visit at the home of friends he met in Springfield, Mass., the past season. While awaiting a car at Holyoke for Mount Tom, E. H. says he unexpectedly met Mr. Schmidt, of the Philharmonic Concert Orchestra, then playing Holyoke, and together they hiked up the "Incline" to the top, where their eyes feasted on some wonderful Massachusetts scenery. He advises all troupers to avail themselves of this pleasure when in that vicinity.

W. M. Gilman, who has not trouped since 1915, is located as manager of the Nemaha Valley Poster Advertising Company, the Gehling Theater and the Ideal picture theater at Falls City, Neb. Season 1893 Gilman was with the Great Western Shows, the following two years with the Syndicate Shows, followed consecutively by Walter L. Main Shows, Bonheur Bros., John Robinson, two seasons; Walter L. Main, one season; Forepaugh-Sells, one season (1901); Wallace Shows, two seasons; Walter L. Main, one season; Campbell Bros., four seasons; Howe's Great London, one season; Great Sanger Shows, one season; LaTena Shows, one season; Jones Bros., one season; Cole Bros., one season; and John Robinson (1915).

The crew of advertising Car No. 1 of the Yankee Robinson Circus the past season has scattered in all directions, as follows: P. C. Stern, manager, Evansville, Ind.; Mike Fagen, boss billposter, Shelbyville, Ill.; Jimmie Wintersteen, lithographer, Fremont, Neb.; Bert Ellsworth, Detroit; Oscar Wilde, Des Moines, Ia.; P. Crowther, Bonner Springs, Kan.; Jack Ferguson, Galveston, Tex.; George Tourville and Joe Julian, Nebraska City, Neb.; Raymond Whalen, London, O.; Dan Holton, Sioux City, Ia.; M. S. Fleetwood, Caldwell, Kan.; Howard Hendricks, press and secretary, Kansas City, Mo.; W. J. Reany, local contractor, St. Paul, Minn. T. P. Ambrose, "the man who sells banners on the elephants," spent a few days in Kansas City before leaving for his winter home in Los Angeles.

APPRAISER APPOINTED

For the Alf. T. Ringling Estate

New York, Nov. 11.—An appraiser of the New York estate left by Alfred T. Ringling, head of the Ringling Bros.' Circus interests, has been appointed in order to assess whatever taxes may be due to the State under the inheritance tax laws. Harry Kopp, a transfer

tax State appraiser, attached to the local branch of the State Comptroller's office, has received the appointment from Surrogate Coahan. Mr. Ringling is survived by a widow, Elizabeth Ringling, of Oak Ridge, N. J.; a son, Richard Theodore Ringling, of New York City, and two brothers, John and Charles Ringling, the famous circus men, with whom he was formerly associated.

Under Mr. Ringling's will the son receives one-quarter interest, held by the testator in the Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey and the Forepaugh-Sells Shows; also the 350-acre farm in Wisconsin, the furnishings in the home in this city, at 36 Gramercy Park, and half of the residuary estate. The other half is left to the widow, in trust, and includes the Oak Ridge estate, which on the death of Mrs. Ringling also becomes the property of the son.

WILLIAM BEACH'S DEATH

Chicago, Nov. 11.—The death of William (Billy) Beach was briefly told in The Billboard of November 6. Further details have just been learned. Mr. Beach was 38 years old, and died in Riverside Hospital, Newport News, Va., October 24, of pneumonia, following an illness of three months. He lived for many years in Chicago, and was a widely known comedian on the legitimate stage 20 years ago. For years he had operated a scenic studio in Newport News. He was born in Cairo, Ill., was unmarried, and was a brother of Jack Beach, banner man with Howe's Great London Shows.

SPARKS CIRCUS NOT SOLD

Many have been the rumors of the sale of the Sparks Circus during the past few weeks. The latest was that the show was purchased by the Gentry brothers, but there is not an iota of truth in any of them, as witness the following telegram sent by The Billboard to Manager Charles Sparks at Madison, Fla., November 12, and his reply, November 13: "Have you sold show to Gentrys? If so, wire details." The answer was terse (very much so) reading: "No."

DOC PALMER IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Nov. 11.—"Doc" Palmer, who had the side-shows on the Sells-Floto Circus, was a Chicago visitor this week. "Doc" told The Billboard that he is arranging his plans for the winter season and that he will have something big to announce for next season in the near future. Also, he said, he will have a five-car outfit with the Sells-Floto show next season.

LOWANDE SAILS DECEMBER 4

Alexander A. Lowande announces that the Lowande & Gardner Circus will sail from Brooklyn December 4 for San Juan, P. O. Rico. The change in sailing dates is due to lack of proper facilities for handling the shipment on the boat sailing the latter part of November as planned.

ANNUAL "CLOSING" DINNER

On Hagenbeck-Wallace Shows a Sumptuous and Appreciated Affair

Tallahassee, Ala., Nov. 11.—Employees of the Hagenbeck-Wallace Show were given an annual dinner at Montgomery, Ala., on November 7, the last Sunday before the show closed, which elapsed even that of last year. Charles Davis, steward, had prepared a program menu which would be difficult to excel anywhere.

Incidentally, the menu contained, on one of the cover pages, an expression of appreciation to the management, which indicated that the Hagenbeck-Wallace employees this year were so satisfied with their treatment by the management that they took that opportunity of expressing themselves. It reads:

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The menu follows:

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| Olives. | Salted Almonds. | Onions. |
| Oyster Cocktail. | Shrimp—Mayonnaise Sauce. | Celery. |
| Salted Wafers. | Toasted Crackers. | |
| Lobster Salad. | Salads. | Boston Head Lettuce. |
| Banana Fritters. | Entrees. | Stuffed Mango Peppers. |
| Orange Sauce. | Crab Meat, a la Newburg. | |
| Roast Suckling Pig. | Roast. | Roast Mallard Duck. |
| Apple Sauce. | Strawberry Sauce. | Roast Vermont Turkey. |
| English Walnut Dressing. | | English Walnut Dressing. |
| Asparagus Tips. | Vegetables. | Pette Pote. |
| Mashed Potatoes. | Candied Yams. | Hubbard Squash. |
| Apple Pie. | Dessert. | English Plum Pudding. |
| Mixed Nuts. | Ice Cream. | French Pastry. |
| Tea. | Coffee. | Milk. |
| On the back page appeared the following: | | |
| "Let our most cherished wish be that we may all see each other next season." | | |

BOSTON BRIEFS

Johnny Mack, who had the circus side-show on the O'Brien Expo. Shows this and last season, was in to see the writer recently. Said he had a good season and will put out a carnival show stored in Boston. He has not yet selected the title for his new show.

Bert Clements, of the Ringling-Barnum opposition brigade, is in town, working at the Shubert Theater.

Tommy Brown, of the No. 1 car of Sells-Floto, is working with James Hearne, an old Forepaugh & Sells troupier, on the Back Bay route.

Jimmie Shea, of Barnum & Bailey front door fame, is in the shop.

Harry Howard, better known to the profession as Murphy, who was on the Sells-Floto and John Robinson Shows the past season, says he has "some big things on" for next season.

George Manchester and Jimmie Kane, of the Irving Bros.' Shows, visited the writer recently.

Jack Lumbard is busy getting ready for next season.—FOREPAUGH WHITE.

HURT BY TIGRESS

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Hannah Parker, wife of Albert E. Parker, director of the Lincoln Park Zoo, is in the American Theatrical Hospital, suffering from a bad wound in her right arm, inflicted by a tigress in the zoo. While watching the animal and standing in front of its cage with her husband Mrs. Parker's arm was suddenly slashed by the animal. Dr. Max Thorek took personal charge of the case.

Have you looked thru the Letter List in this issue? There may be a letter advertised for you.

THE CORRAL

By ROWDY WADDY

Seems that a number of hands have been gathering at Louisville, Ky., expecting to join a Wild West organization which up to this writing, according to reports, has failed to materialize.

Fred Beeson, after the Roundup at Oklahoma City, returned to his home in Arkansas City. Said he would sure be on hand for the Fall Rodeo at Fort Worth. Henry Grammer and wife and son, Henry, Jr., went to their home in Fairfax, Ok. Also expect to be at the Fort Worth Rodeo.

Essie Fay's Society Horse Show and Wild West closed with the Con T. Kennedy Shows at Ardmore, Ok., November 6, and went into winter quarters at Ft. Worth. Miss Fay is rapidly working out plans for enlargement next season, and will have one of the best winter quarters of any show in the South, as she will be permitted to use the Coliseum for training her stock.

Giving I. O. U. s. as payment for prizes and promising to pay off at the next one staged is not likely to prove popular with contest hands. Promoters should see that the payment of prizes are well secured or let the hands know in advance that the money is not up. The confidence of the hands is the greatest asset a promoter can have, and when this is destroyed his career is over.

California Frank, who in all probability will winter in Ft. Worth, seems to be trying to corner the bucking horse market. Anyway he is buying up a great number of the best buckers obtainable and paying some fancy prices for them. Frank has not divulged any plans for next season, but he did so well the past season that it's a safe guess it will be contest business on a larger scale.

Since Fog Horn Clancy was placed on the staff of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show a special effort has been made to make Ft. Worth a winter quarters for showmen and contest hands. The Stockyards Company lending its aid to the plans has turned over a number of fine barns for the housing of stock during the winter, and as a result there will be plenty of troopers around that city this winter.

Montana Jack Ray pulled his rope spinning stunts—"tail spin"—"everything"—during a Moose Bazaar staged by the W. S. Cherry Attractions at Norwood, Cincinnati, last week, and made a decided hit with the patrons. Jack broke into print heavily during his stay in the Queen City. By the way, while at The Billboard office on Friday, he stated that it may soon be a double act in vaude, for him, Anna George, late of the Superior Shows, and who accompanied him, being his teammate to be.

Contest hands continue to drop into Ft. Worth, Tex., for the fall rodeo, which will be staged there, November 24-27, and it is estimated that by the time the show opens there will be one of the largest groups of entries that has been seen at any contest this season. The fall rodeo is attracting much attention in that section of Texas, and the management has secured an acceptance of an invitation to Tris Speaker to be a guest of honor. Speaker will take part in the parade mounted on one of California Frank's white Arabians.

Little Joe Hetzer, the diminutive contest rube, made a decided hit on the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show's special booster excursion to the Waco (Tex.) Cotton Palace Exposition, which was run from Ft. Worth to Waco November 6. Little Joe, arrayed in full cowboy regalia and carrying a big revolver, proclaimed himself the official "gun man" of the party and threatened to shoot anyone who did not make plenty of noise when the boosters paraded thru the streets of Waco. Little Joe also enlivened the occasion by popping a few caps.

Jimmie Eicher, who is now on the Curtice Cattie Company's ranch, southeast of Calgary, Alta., Can., wants to know if you remember—
When Freddie Burns was learning to ride the spotted mule on the Young Buffalo Show?
When Johnny Roberts rode the Detroit bronk, Funeral Wagon?
When "Swampfoot" Hicks lost his saddle?
When Jim Wilkes tried to climb thru a sleeping car window?
When Carl Morris lost his false teeth?
When Char Hunt forgot something?
When Mexican Joe missed the train?
When Al Berdineau captured the "hot-dogs"?
When Tex Cooper was Young Buffalo?
When Leonard Stroud lost his goat?

Fort Morgan, Col., is going to do its best to come back into the contest game, and the "American Legion Roundup" is being planned there for next July 4-7. F. T. Corcoran is manager. The American Legion, writes Mr. Corcoran, has bought the old Fair Grounds for \$14,000. This money was raised by the good people of Fort Morgan, and the grounds were donated free and clear to the veterans. Mr. Corcoran adds that the Roundup next year will be one of the best in the country, and many of the boys who were with the old shows there when the said boys were in their prime will be on the job, as they will remember that Fort Morgan was classed among the best of the Wild West events. The committee intends getting right back to where the work was left off and is going after a few headliners, who are expected to make the hands "sit tight" to win honors. Mr. Corcoran concludes his letter with the statement that the purses will be as large as any of the good shows and that they will be paid whether the event pays or not.

From Orion, Kan.—W. J. Nelson, of the Nelson Wild West and Dog and Pony Show, gave a homecoming roundup on his ranch near this city on November 6, which proved a big success and with an attendance of 843 people. Fifteen long horn steers and twenty-two bucking horses were ridden contest rules, and required that riders place their saddles five inches back from the collar, scratch their mounts in shoulder first five jumps, ride with two reins to hackamore—

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not tied together; loosening stirrup or changing hands on reins to disqualify the rider. Judges were three oldtime cowpunchers, Raymon Stobs, of Hays City, Kan.; Tom O'Neil, of the Dewey Ranch, and Charles Kincaid, of Sterling, Col. The exhibition went off without a hitch and with few accidents. Powder River Kid was thrown from his horse and dragged, but not seriously hurt. Ray Bird was thrown from a steer by the cinch turning and he was "run over," but was able to win first prize (\$50) in the bucking horse contest. Paul Baxter, of Oakley, Kan., won second prize (\$25). W. J. Nelson won first prize in steer roping, and Roy Morgan, foreman of the ranch, first in bulldogging. The latter also did some fine exhibition riding. As there were no contests for ladies, Winona Nelson did some very clever exhibition riding. There were several other good riders, and all went away well pleased and with hopes that Mr. Nelson will stage another event in the near future.—W. C. ELLIS.

From Ranger, Tex.—The Contest held here November 3-5 was a financial success. Weather was fine and the people turned out in large numbers. Some of the best hands in the contest business were present and assisted in putting on a good show. Bryan Roach was here and made a bronk riding match with Red Sublette for a purse of \$500, on a four-horse average. This caused quite a bit of excitement, as both are home boys. Roach won by one point and a half. The decision was not satisfactory to Sublette and some of the spectators, so a match was arranged by them for a purse of \$1,000, which was put up and is, at this writing, in the hands of the Sheriff, for Sunday, November 6, the winning to be on a six-horse average. The winners of the contest, in order given were as follows: Bronk Riding, First Day—Shorty Ricker, Angelo Hughes, Red Sublette. Second Day—Red Sublette, Charlie Williams, Shorty Ricker and John Henry, split. Third Day, Finals—Red Sublette, Bryan Roach, Charlie Williams. Steer Riding, First Day—John Henry, first; Chick Hannon, Tom Douglas and Red Sublette, split second and third. Second Day—Red Sublette and Tom Douglas split first and second;

Charlie Williams. Finals—Bryan Roach, Red Sublette, Tom Douglas. Cecil Childress made the fastest time in goat roping, eleven seconds. Hackberry Slim, the one-legged cowboy, bulldogged a steer each day from an auto. Tom Douglas "rubbed" the show. Chick Hannon was thrown in the bucking contest and was kicked in the head by a bronk. He is at present in the hospital in a serious condition. Bryan Roach and Red Sublette both joined the Ranger Force and will make this their future home. Forty-five contestants were present and immediately after the event closed all left for the Fort Worth Fall Rodeo. Ranger will have a bigger and better Roundup next year.—JOHNNY SINGER.

SEEKING CLAYTON SHINGLER

C. E. Shingler, R. F. D. No. 1, Box 83, Millertown, Pa., has written The Billboard, requesting information as to the whereabouts of his son, Clayton Shingler, often called "Fat" or "Clate," who was last heard of on May 2, 1917, at Lewistown, Pa., when the Barnum & Bailey Show played that town, and on which show he worked, attending to the camels. Mr. Shingler fears that his son may have been killed in a circus wreck. He would like to hear from the person who had charge of the camels on that show in 1917, and also from any one who may have any knowledge as to the location of his son.

GEORGE MEIGHAN'S SUCCESSOR

Vernon Reaver has been appointed general agent of the Yankee Robinson Circus to succeed George Meighan, according to reports reaching the New York office of The Billboard. Mr. Reaver is one of the old standbys of that circus and came up from the ranks by gradual promotion. He is also known as a most successful "Uncle Tom's Cabin" showman.

Look thru the Letter List in this issue.

BILLBOARD CALLERS

(NEW YORK CALLERS)

Margaret McBride, press agent and publicity expert; William Marcus, press agent of Williams Standard Shows; Jack Smith, inventor of amusement devices; Chris C. Egan, manager B. F. Keith's Colonial Theater.
Arthur E. Campbell says he hears the call of the "blue birds" even this early, but does not think he will answer it, as he is doing well in the electrical business.
R. W. Egan will play bazaars with concessions. Is in New York from the West to buy goods. Will visit the leading doll and novelty supply houses.
Samuel M. Dawson, going West to take the management of a theater.
Max Adams, concession manager World at Home Shows, in from Jackson, Miss. Will enter the bazaar field after the Christmas holidays.
Otto M. Hunt, stage carpenter, and (Mrs.) Edna Hunt, of Irons & Clamague's "Town Scandals," burlesque, which played the Columbia Theater to capacity.
Chief White Hawk, member of the Actors' Equity Association, playing with Holbrook Bilian in "Bad Man." Has been with circuses, in vaudeville and pictures and with Wild West shows.
George C. Moyer, general agent of the John Robinson Circus, stopping at the Continental Hotel. Was accompanied by A. R. Hopper, of the same circus. Leaving for Chicago to be present at Showmen's League banquet. Says it was a great season.
Johnny J. Kilian, Has started his bazars.
C. E. Farrington, to say the reason he did not put out an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" show is because he does not like to hear the dogs bark.
Sammy Edwards, of the vaudeville team of Sammy Edwards and Lillian Lee.
C. Barthel will have a new riding device to put on the market for next season.
Charles Arthur Roehr, of the Three Roehrs, vaudeville act.
Ned Norton, of the Elizabeth Brice act, playing B. F. Keith's Hamilton, to be followed by Colonial and Palace.
Fletcher Smith, press agent past season with Walter L. Main Circus.
Ralph Finney, of the Williams Standard Shows. Busy organizing for the next season.
W. C. Fleming, general agent Greater Sheepley Shows. Stopping with Mrs. Fleming at Navarre Hotel.
Mystic Clayton. Talked over old times in the carnival business with W. C. Fleming.

William George Everett, closed with Benson Shows. Is taking out a magic show to play South from New York.
Lew Graham, of Ringling-Barnum Circus. Dr. E. L. Bucky, famous in the carnival world during the Frank C. Bostock days.
H. F. Hall, of the California Exposition Shows. Is now in the Beacon blanket business in his home town, Stamford, Conn.
Thomas Phillips, promoting a big spectacle for Lakewood, N. J.
George M. Bistany, all equipped with passports ready for his 'round the European countries and Egypt tour.
Clyde Hippie, concessioner past season Col. Francis Ferrari Shows. May locate in one of the big Eastern parks for next year.
W. J. Foster, carnival manager and concessioner.
William Glick, back from Richmond. Making his headquarters at Continental Hotel.
William E. Hawks, of Bennington, Vt. Historian of the plains.
King Karlo, just before leaving for Havana, Cuba, with his circus Side-Show. Sixteen people listed to join his party.
C. H. Clark, back from a tour as press agent for various show enterprises.
H. Perry, of the Joyland Circus.
T. P. J. Powers, manager Killies' Band; J. S. Shallcross, of Ed Wilson Agency; Samuel Klitz, of Williams Standard Shows.
Maxwell Kane, manager concessions. Stopping Hotel Claridge.
All Pasha, who had the "Arabian Nights" show with Polack Bros.' 20 Big Shows. Closed with them in Richmond; played two weeks with Ben Krause; will remain in New York for the winter.
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Buckley. Spent the summer on their farm up New York State. Bought a new car; will motor to Florida to spend the winter. May have a side-show with a circus next season.
Joseph G. Ferrari. Says he is not ready just yet to announce his plans for season 1921.
Frank Griffin, of the Williams Standard Shows.
Oscar Lowande, circus manager, Jack Nelson, acrobat, playing in the New York Hippodrome.
Roy Bouchee, talker, past season on the John Metz Pit Show with the Walter L. Main Circus. Says business was great. He closed when the season closed in Franklin, Va.
Lolita Austin, soprano, and Freda Held, contralto, now doing a sister act, "Maids of Har-

mony." Playing vaudeville around Brooklyn breaking in the act.

Fred Lanham, of Broadway Museum fame. Will have some important contracts closed soon for a museum in a big Western city, he says.
Jack Smith still claims his park amusement novelty will be ready for season 1921.
Ed G. Holland is home in Harworth, N. J., after closing a big season in advance of Walter L. Main Circus in Franklin, Va., Saturday November 6. The circus jumped to Havre de Grace, Md., to winter quarters as usual.
Elmer Tenley, vaudeville writer. Has some more things to say in The Billboard on the vaudeville situation.
Bert B. Perkins, still writing motion picture stories.
George M. Bistany. Says he sails for England November 17 instead of date previously announced.
Mart McCormack, independent carnival showman.
Lucile Anderson, of water show fame, with World at Home Shows. In the city on business and sightseeing.
C. A. Lomas, has returned from a tour of New York State in the interest of the Gould Advertising Agency.
William B. Lindsay, eastern passenger agent Lehigh Valley Railroad, with offices in New York. Mr. Lindsay is a great friend to showfolk and personally has attended to the movements of thousands in all branches of show business; going West.
(CINCINNATI OFFICE)

James (Jimmy) Golden, special agent Wolfe's Superior Shows, en route to his home in Cleveland for the winter.
J. J. Bowtell, sign writer and artist, on his way South. Opened with Johnny J. Jones' Exposition last spring, then to the Greater Sheepley Shows and later to the H. W. Campbell United Shows.
Harry E. Bonnell, contest manager the W. S. Cherry Attractions. He returned the first of last week from Dayton, O., where he was connected with the Jos. Miller Bazaar and Exposition Company. Left Friday to start his promotions at Kokomo, Ind., where the Cherry Attractions exhibit in the near future under the auspices of the Eagles. The organization operates a bazaar at Newport, Ky., this week for the Eagles.
Lynn Smith, of the Lynn Smith Company, manufacturers of the Aladdin Art Embroidery Needle, with headquarters in Bristol, Va. Spent several days in the city on business and to arrange for advertising his product, which he stated is bringing excellent returns.
P. E. Clark, concessioner, who has been with several of the leading caravans. Will take out a motion picture and vaudeville show this winter.
Mr. Rhodes, in charge of the F. M. Barnes office in Kansas City, in the city on business.
William Sefferino, assistant to Al Hoffmann, manager of Music Hall Roller Rink, Cincinnati. Reports business at the rink fine.
Dick Wakefield, callopie player, who is to go with Clayton, the Mystic, this season.
George F. Regan, Frank Pepper, Kathleen Wiggins, Harry Champion, Al Dean, Vincent Russell, Margaret Grenier.
Mr. and Mrs. Laporte LaMont and Harvey Porter of the "O. Sweet Daddy" Company.
Billy Steed, producer and principal comedian, and Curly Stewart, both members of Harvey Porter's "O. Sweet Daddy" Company.
B. C. Howie, character comedian, playing vaudeville dates around the Queen City.
W. M. Murray, blackface artist, just closed with the "Moon Girl" Company. Awaiting word from a prominent minstrel owner.
Edward Jessop, still in town and for an indefinite period. The number of showfolks deciding to spend the winter months in Cincinnati, and the many arriving, seems to furnish just the proper environment and excuse foundation for this well-known showman to prolong his stay in the city.
Eddie Owens and wife, late of Polack Bros.' 20 Big Shows, on Merle Kinsel's concessions. Now working concessions with the W. S. Cherry Attractions. Eddie has decided to call off his formerly contemplated trip South this fall.
George Rogers, formerly well known in outdoor show circles as a promoter and manager of events, the past summer concessioner with the Majestic Exposition Shows. Had just closed with that organization on the South, from where he and Mrs. Rogers had just returned to Cincinnati. Said he would do a little scouting and recuperating before starting his winter activities—possibly indoor doings.
Frank Hilton, wire jewelry manufacturer and demonstrator. Just recently returned from a big season's business at one of the leading parks of the East. Is operating a window demonstration on "the street" Cincinnati.
M. D. (Duke) Golden, general agent of the World at Home and Polack Bros.' 20 Big Shows Combined. On his way home to London, O., for a rest. He reported that the "20 Big" will be wintered in Mobile, Ala., temporarily, and that quite a bit of building of new shows, etc., will be done there.
Gene R. Milton and M. W. McQuigg, of the Superior Shows, came in to say "Howdy," Milton going East to his home (will probably go ahead of a one-nighter) and McQuigg returning to Louisville, Ky., after attending to some business matters.
Prof. Meehan, of Meehan's Dogs, one of the features in the Al Johnson show, "Sinbad," which played the Lyric Theater last week.
John F. Dusch, bandmaster of Howe's Great London Shows, and his brother, Robert E. John reported an exceptionally good season, and has been re-engaged with the Howe show for next season. His brother has gone to his home in DuBois, Pa.
Sydney Wire, press representative of the Superior Shows, who returned to Louisville, Ky., the latter part of the week.
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W. P. Kerfoot and Mrs. Kerfoot ("Monk" and "Sis" McDonald).
L. V. Lindell, manager of the K. C. Novelty Manufacturers, who make carnival and park concession supplies. Reported business good in his line.
Harry L. Lee, carnival showman, came in from Columbus, O., and had several favorable things to say of the James M. Benson and the Torrens United Shows.
Bert Rutherford, of Howe's Great London Shows.

Skating News

"CAN" THE FAVORITE

By FRED NALL

The question of maintaining deportment in amusement places is second only in importance to the financial consideration of operation. In fact, without proper deportment, financial arrangements are of little moment after a while. This is because if proper deportment is not maintained it will seriously interfere with your financial returns.

Managers must maintain and preserve order in their rinks at all times, exacting from patrons and employees alike a cheerful compliance with all house rules. The violator of a rule meriting punishment should be promptly disciplined, regardless of his standing or social prominence.

The failure of managers to enforce their rules for fear of giving offense to some "favorite" is often the "beginning of the end," creating no end of trouble for the unfortunate manager. Demand nothing less than an absolute compliance with the established rules by which all well-conducted rinks are regulated and governed.

While this applies to all amusement places, it is even more important to roller rink managers because of the nature of the sport. Roller skating is a very carefree, healthy pastime which invigorates and induces good blood circulation. For that reason the tendency is for your patrons to become joyous, or they may even become very boisterous. Patrons at a lecture or musical ordinarily do not feel that way, and the manager of those entertainments has not the problem of deportment which your rink managers have to solve and guard against.

Demand from the very opening of your rink a strict compliance with your rules. Promptly suppress all fast skating. Eject from the rink, if necessary, patrons who persist in flagrant disobedience, or those who display no disposition to respect the rights of others. Your patrons then will discover that you mean business—and will govern themselves accordingly.

The admission fee paid by a "favorite," or no amount of business he might be able to control from his circle of friends, will compensate you for the loss of standing in the community and loss of patronage which would result from allowing him to run your rink and misbehave without punishment.

You, in the balconies or on your promenade, can see infractions of your floor rules which possibly escape the eye of your floor manager. And when you do see it—"act." Don't hesitate. Remember that the offender, when called before you, knows what offense he has been guilty of, no matter how greatly surprised he may profess to be. Don't let him "stall" you. Don't stand any nonsense. Cut him on him at first that the rights of others must be respected—and, if he won't agree to patronize your rink under those restrictions, you would prefer not to accept his patronage at all.

Remember that your patrons are watching to see whether you insist on the enforcement of the proper rules. Some of them may be wondering if they could "get away with anything themselves." But most of them recognize the reason for proper rules and will resent it and cease to patronize your rink if you permit others to transgress.

On the other hand, if your patrons see that your rink is properly and orderly conducted, with modern equipment and accommodations, your success should be assured.

At the request of some of the Billboard readers who are unfamiliar with roller skating as a business enterprise, and are considering entering it, we will digress from the regular order somewhat and next week will present official figures on the revenues of the business, as shown in big roller rinks.

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Robt. R. Ware, of the Chicago Roller Skate Co., writes The Billboard that Charles Mc-

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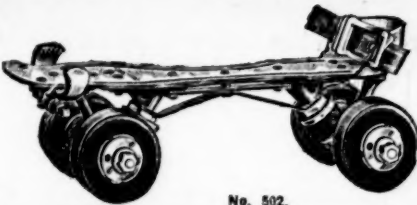
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Cormick, of the Madison Garden Roller Rink, visited the Chicago plant last week, inquiring for new skates. "He is very enthusiastic over roller skating this fall," says Mr. Ware, "and says he is doing a fine business. He has 3,000 pairs of Chicago skates in the rink now, and finds that he will need more. He has used Chicago skates exclusively for the past fourteen years and is well pleased with them."
Madison Gardens is one of the largest and best managed rinks, and is equipped with the best of everything throughout. It has always been a money-maker, and Charlie says it pays to advertise.

AKRON POLO LEAGUE FORMED

The Akron Polo League has been formed and the opening game was played November 10 between the Goodyear and Goodrich teams.

Eddie Connors, of Goodyear, is president; Eddie Connolly, of Goodrich, vice-president; Parker Lovell, of the Miller Rubber Co., secretary-treasurer. Games will be played every Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoon, with teams and players as follows:
Goodyear—W. McGowan, first rush; A. Myers, second rush; C. Farrell, center; C. Andrews, halfback; T. Allard, goal.
Goodrich—H. Force, first rush; A. Force, second rush; E. Connelly, center; P. Carpenter, halfback; A. Smyers, goal.

International Harvester—B. Lyberger, first rush; Pop Saurers, second rush; C. Servers, center; P. Coffman, halfback; H. Stearns, goal.
George D. Sales—B. Cion, first rush; R. McMillan, second rush; B. Specht, center; M. Wilson, halfback; C. Creving, goal.
Referee, George Gilhooly.

Games will be played at Cloni's rink, which is provided with portable banks and polo nets that can be set up and taken down in half an hour.

OPERATING DREAMLAND RINK

Dreamland Rink, San Francisco, is being operated by Charles Szelove this year, with an equipment of 1,000 pairs of skates. Szelove will also open a rink at Modesto soon. He writes that he is operating on a new system this year—free admission, and skating paid for by the hour. (Note—The experience of the leading rink operators is very much against this plan, as its unfavorable features far outweigh any possible advantage.—Editor.) A time card is put on the wardrobe and a skater may stay as long as he likes, paying as he goes out.

Mr. Szelove's three children, all clever exhibition skaters, are great drawing cards.

TO TEACH "SKATING JAZZ"

Among the cabin passengers on the Swedish-American liner Drottningholm, from Sweden to New York last week, was Martha Johnson, champion woman ice skater of the world, who is here after an absence of two years. She will take part in public skating contests. She is also a teacher. Now, she says, "skating jazz" is the rage of Europe, and, despite effects of prohibition here, she believes that it will prove as bewildering and delightful to participants as it has to crowned heads of Europe. She will teach an exclusive clientele at the Waldorf-Astoria.

KNOXVILLE RINK REOPENS

J. Drum, for the past two seasons manager of Warner Park Rink, Chattanooga, Tenn., is now managing the rink at Chilhowee Park, Knoxville, where he has been since July 1. The rink reopened for the winter season October 30, after having been closed since September 13, and Mr. Drum says business is fine. A mask carnival, held last week, filled the rink to capacity, he states.

"The outlook for the season is excellent," says Mr. Drum, "and a little later we will present some big features. Have already booked Adelaide D'Vorak."

ON JUNIOR ORPHEUM

Beagy and Claus are closing very good on the Jun'or Orpheum Circuit with their original spins, tricks and figure skating. Beagy would like to know what has become of the Great Holmquist.

COLISEUM RINK, CANTON, O.

Jack Huth, of Buffalo, N. Y., who for years has been eight years proprietor of the Dover Rink at Dover, O., has leased the Coliseum Rink in Canton, O., formerly occupied by T. S. Culp. This he has remodeled and redeccorated,

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mers, of camera fame, will be motoring around Philadelphia in his new car. John F. Dusch, band director, will spend the winter at his home in Newport, Ky. John will organize a 25-piece concert band to appear with the Howe Shows season 1921. Prof. Montell Proctor and his colored jazz band will winter at Lebanon, Tenn., and will return to the Howe Show with a greatly enlarged organization. La Belle Clarke, of high school horse fame, will spend the winter resting at West Baden, as will also Mme. Noer, pianist. Sheedy Dempsey, who presided over the dining car, will renew old friendships in Cincinnati. Frank De Rue has framed an act that has secured twenty weeks over the Cotter Time. Capt. Joe Metcalf, superintendent of menagerie, will be engaged all winter in quarters, breaking elephants, lions "n' everything. Charley Martin, he of the silver voice, has arrived at Hot Springs, where he will be on the staff of one of the fashionable hotels. Dick Wakefield, of calliope fame, will open in Atlantic City on November 29 in "Adrienne," Harry Von Tilzer's new production.

The only incident that marred the closing week was the injuries suffered by Capt. Paul De Sarkisian, during the untamable lion act, at Poplar Bluff, Mo., on November 5. He was rushed to a local hospital, where his injuries were dressed, and later proceeded to his home at Worcester, Mass., to enter a hospital for further treatment.

The show has had a highly profitable and pleasant season.—IRVING D. NEWMAN.

"THINGS I SEE AND HEAR EVERY DAY"

By BILLY EXTON

Things are progressing very nicely with "The County Fair," the big screen version of Maurice Tourneur on Neil Burgess' rural American racing drama. Business is more than good. Youngstown, O., turned them away every day for seven consecutive days, and return bookings at early dates were accepted. This attraction goes into a city like a show, is billed strongly, with two good men ahead, and I myself am handling the exploitation publicity for this No. 1 attraction. The band, back with it, which is drawing more than favorable comment from public and press in Canton and Youngstown, where we have played, is the product of Don Montgomery, and the entire organization is 100 per cent John Robinson Circus, as every member with the show closed with that show just recently. Jack Hansen joined the band in Canton, and just adds the finishing touches to perfection.

Elmer Frankliser, who was with the Barnum Show in 1917, can be found at the Grand Opera House in Canton, O., where he continues to blow forth on his trusty cornet.

In Cleveland I met Joe Mack, who was busy blazing the trail for Irons & Clamage's No. 2 wheel attraction, and what Joe leaves undone is hardly worth while.

Pete James is the man on the front door as you pass into the house of real burlesque, as Phil Isaacs terms the Empire in Cleveland, and both boys have a host of real friends.

With "The French Frolics," playing there last week, was the imitator Harry Fields of "Hello, Jake," fame, who never fails to register with his peculiar and original line of parodies and patter. Back with the show, counting the receipts and paying the bills, is our little friend, Jimmy McAleer. Same old Jim, and the same old smile.

In Youngstown, at the Park Theater, Frankie Dorey still handles the key to the billroom, and is assisted by Bob Thatcher, late of the John Robinson Circus. Bert Nun, at the Liberty, and Ben Hinton, at the Hippodrome, constitute the house agents itinerary of that city. There are a great many more of the boys there.

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SKATING NOTES

What's become of Jackie Clarke? Haven't heard a peep from him for some time. How 'bout it, Jackie?

Cap Sefferino, professional, and Russell Golden, amateur, both of Music Hall Rink, Cincinnati, are to race at the Sparks Rink, Russellville, Ky. The Sparks Rink is enjoying excellent business, according to reports from the manager, James McClelland.

Someone asks: "What is Lillian Franks doing? Still skating with her father?" Yes, as far as we know, she's still in New York. Maybe she can favor us with a line for the skating department.

George V. Brown, manager of athletics at the Boston (Mass.) A. A. for many years, has been appointed manager of the new Boston Arena, which is to take an active part in the promotion of indoor sports, including skating.

Only a few weeks until the Christmas Special will be out. Have you placed your order? Or, better still, a yearly subscription? The series of articles running in the skating news section now is worth the price of a year's subscription, to say nothing of the many other good things.

The Chicago Roller Skate Company, thru Robert R. Ware, its vice-president, has shown The Billboard a letter from Mrs. Goodner, formerly Helen Carlos, of the skating team of Fielding and Carlos. She wrote that she is now living in Southern California.

The St. Nicholas Rink, Sixty-sixth street, near Broadway, New York, is having a successful season so far, there being crowds on the floor every night. The other New York and Brooklyn rinks, too, are reported as having excellent patronage.

W. J. Morgan, manager of the Oaks Rink, Portland, Ore., writes that they are doing a nice business. Gave a Halloween masquerade party that drew a big crowd. The Oaks is probably the largest rink in the Northwest, and one of the best.

Adelaide D'Vorak took a week off to celebrate Halloween at her home in Cleveland and to elect Harding, then right back to the rink and to work. Adelaide is a hard worker and a consistent performer—if there's such a thing as a consistent woman.

"I'm glad to see the skating page expanding," writes a Pennsylvania rink manager. "Keep up the present rate and you'll have all the skaters with you. Have just read that second article by Fred Nall, 'The Hunger Pull,' and I want to say that he's got the right dope. Let's have some more in the same vein." Thanks for "them kind words." We'll try to keep up the good work. And we can assure you that there'll be some more of Mr. Nall's articles that will be just as full of practical, first-hand information as there was in the first two.—Editor.

"I note the skating craze is coming back," writes C. A. Colburn, of Bowling Green, Ky. "I am impelled to write you of the most talked about town in the United States in hope that someone looking for a good location for a rink might seek your information. This is the best town in the State, owing to an oil boom being on. There are some ten or fifteen thousand strangers here from all over the world, and a rink would clean up. The only amusements in the town at present are two picture shows. There are hundreds of skating fans here, and it is an ideal location for a portable."

BIG SEASON

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Curran, side-show manager, has arrived in Philadelphia. He will organize a medicine show, paying Pennsylvania and New York States. Mrs. Fay Curran, second sight and mindreading; C. H. Johnson, superintendent of side-show canvas; Jack Lovine and Cameron and Cameron will be associated with Curran in his new enterprise. Prof. Farrell will spend some time in Cincinnati, then proceed to Ithaca, N. Y., to spend several weeks with his brother. Pop Sweeney, equestrian director, will remain at winter quarters and break in several new riding acts. Mrs. Sweeney will be working on complete new wardrobe for the show. The Walflet Family of equestrians will spend the winter at their home at Havre de Grace, Md. Abe Som-

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IMPROVEMENTS

For Meyers Lake Park

More Than \$200,000 To Be Spent on Rides and Other Amusement Features

Canton, O., Nov. 12.—Improvements to cost \$200,000 or more are under way at Meyers Lake Park, now under the management of Ed L. Booth, who succeeded C. Y. Riddle, who for seven years was in charge of the resort. The merry-go-round, which has been one of the chief attractions for many years, has been razed and in its stead a three-abreast carousel is being built. To make room for this along the pike the fun house is being moved back and remodeled and next season it will be known as "Tumble Inn." The carousel will cost \$25,000, according to Manager Booth.

Plans are under way to replace the "Over the Top" with a new and more modern ride. The "Scenic River," partly owned by John Babst, is being razed and in its stead a new "Old Mill" is being built. Booth also announced a "whip" will be installed along the pike, together with a Venetian swing ride and Aeroplane swings, before the opening of the 1921 season. A new and more powerful motor launch will be placed on the lake and extensive repairs made to the locker rooms, boat landings and the bathing beach, the latter owned by George Sinclair, who also is owner and manager of the "Blue Streak." Booth also contemplates installing a Derby Racer.

Tom Walker of Cleveland will again operate the Lakeview Hotel, on which he spent several thousand dollars last season, making it modern. Bill Denny, owner of a string of concessions at the park, formerly with the advance of the Ringling Bros.' Circus, plans a jaunt South this winter.

NEW TEMPLE OF FUN BEING BUILT AT OLD ORCHARD

Old Orchard, Me., Nov. 10.—The new Temple of Fun being erected at Old Orchard for the season of 1921 will be about 40 feet high, 60 feet wide and over 200 feet long, and will contain about 25 amusements.

A number of other improvements are being made at Old Orchard. Down at the Pier new porch roofs have been added to the booths, adding much to their appearance. The promenade has been practically rebuilt with heavy timbers.

CONEY'S JEWISH THEATER

Coney Island now has a Jewish theater, which is housed in the College Inn Building. The first performance was given recently, and it is the intention to give plays all winter, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, with prices ranging from 35 cents to \$1.50. It is planned to devote Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings to educational work for children.

CONSIDER AMUSEMENT PARK

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 12.—The possibility of converting the fair grounds into an amusement park to be operated through the year is being considered by the directors of the fair association here.

With this purpose in view an option has been secured on fifty acres of land to the south of the race track at the fair grounds. The additional

land would be necessary for railroad facilities. If the park materializes at all it is not expected to be a fact before the summer of 1922.

Tentative plans call for a swimming pool in the race track enclosure, a new 1,000-foot roller coaster, and all the regular features of a mammoth first-class amusement park. Another successful fair like the one recently closed and the fair officials say the amusement park idea will become a fact.

that his company will install four additional devices in the Coast country this coming season.

Mr. Kilpatrick will leave shortly for the South and be gone a week, after which he will return to Chicago and remain here until after the fair and park meetings, December 1. He will then go to New York and open headquarters in the Hotel Commodore, where the Eastern business of the company will be transacted. He reported business in general to be good on the Coast.

KILPATRICK BACK

Chicago, Nov. 10.—Edward J. Kilpatrick, president of the "Over the Falls" Company, returned this week from a trip to Los Angeles and San Francisco, where he made a Coast trip in the interests of the firm. He told The Billboard

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ANOTHER COASTER RECORD

From Clementon, N. J., Wm. H. Strickler writes in regard to the claim of Mr. Austin of a world's record for a roller coaster that carried 22,905 passengers in one day.

"As a challenge to this record," says Mr. Strickler, "I offer the following figures, taken from the reports of a ride built in 1909 for W. G. Bean at Blackpool, England. Here are the figures:

1900—August bank holiday, 22,640
1910—August bank holiday, 24,480
1911—August bank holiday, 26,575
1912—August bank holiday, 19,720
1913—August bank holiday, 25,214

"And on Miners' Day in 1919 Mr. Bean reports this coaster carried over 28,000 people. "This coaster was built and operated in 27 working days, has carried over 8,000,000 without a single accident.

"The above is offered without any claim to a world's championship record, but with the hope that it will stimulate other builders and operators of rides to come in with their big days, as capacity is a subject of vital interest to all park men.

"Perhaps Mr. Darling will tell us how many passengers were carried on the L. A. Thompson Scenic at Steeplechase Bush the day King Edward was Manager Kiraifly's guest. The writer has these figures as given him by the late Mr. Kiraifly, but does not feel at liberty to publish them."

INSTALLING NEW CAROUSEL

A. H. Bornkessel, owner of Karnival Kourt, Sea Breeze, N. Y., is installing a new \$30,000 carousel. Karnival Kourt is a busy place these days, with a force of workmen remodeling buildings and making extensive improvements for next season.

This is Rochester's only amusement park. The season of 1920 was a bumper, the most successful concession on the grounds being the Race in the Jungle. In fact it proved so big that Mr. Bornkessel went after the exclusive agency for same, for the United States and Canada, and succeeded in landing it.

STARTING NEW PARK

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AVIATION

ALL WRONG

H. R. Cruikshank Denies Newspaper Talk

Those interested in exhibitional aviation have been awaiting with keen interest the announcement of H. R. Cruikshank's plans for 1921. The report that the widely known parachute expert and "stunt" flyer had retired, according to his wife's request, which appeared in the newspapers some weeks ago, has reached the remote corners of the country. "Newspaper gossip is subject to exaggeration sometimes," states Mr. Cruikshank, who denies his retirement from exhibitional aviation. "I will not change my line of endeavor. It is my vocation the same as every other walk of life; in fact my latest efforts in parachute drops and "stunt" maneuvers will greatly exceed what I have accomplished in the past." Mr. Cruikshank told The Billboard representative that he will establish headquarters in Cincinnati. Arrangements are being made with Clarence Rooney, the representative in Cincinnati, to produce a flicker synopsis of Mr. Cruikshank's season. They will leave within the next week or so for Dayton, O., where the film will be made. In speaking of his 1920 events as an aerial acrobat Mr. Cruikshank recalled the splendid work of O. B. Collier and Arthur Starbuck, who piloted his ships while he performed his death-defying aerial feats.

75 PLANES TO COMPETE

In 160-Mile Flight Over a Closed Triangular Course

An aerial armada greater than any ever before assembled will take part in the Pulitzer Race Thanksgiving Day, starting and ending at Mitchell Field, Mineola, N. Y. At least 75 airplanes, with speeds exceeding 100 miles an hour, are to participate in the 160-mile flight over a closed triangular course. Eighteen army airplanes and eight representing the navy have been entered. Sadi Lecointe, winner of the recent Gordon Bennett trophy contest at Paris, France, is expected to be a contestant. The Pulitzer trophy, donated by Ralph Pulitzer to the Aero Club of America, is to be competed for annually, the coming event being the first. Gold, silver and bronze plaques have been hung up for the winners of first, second and third places, and in addition nearly \$4,000 in Liberty Bonds is to be awarded pilots of craft which perform best.

JUMP PROVES FATAL

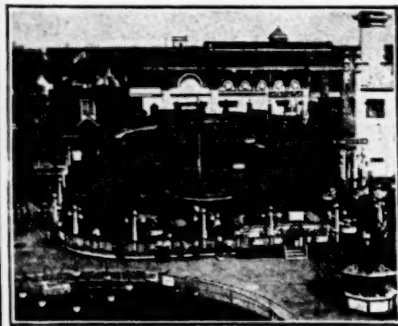
Charles Hopkins Killed at Beloit, Wis.

Charles Hopkins was killed November 7 at Beloit, Wis., when he jumped from an airplane

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with a parachute which failed to open until he was nearly to the ground. The plane was at an altitude of one thousand feet when Hopkins made the leap. Hopkins was 37 years old.

TWO SEAPLANES ARRIVE

San Diego, Cal., Nov. 10.—Two large N-C seaplanes for the naval air station arrived here November 6. These are the largest planes yet secured by the air station, and will be housed in special hangars. They are of the improved design of the N-C planes which made the first transatlantic flight in 1919.

FLY FROM GERMANY TO U. S.

New York, Nov. 12.—A giant airplane will attempt to make the trip from Berlin, Germany, to the United States in the near future. It is learned. The big plane will have accommodations for eighteen passengers, and will be built entirely of metal, with two pilots.

FISHER THRILLS CROWDS

Famous Aviator Has Busy Sabbath Hauling Passengers

Aviator Fisher, of the Boyertown Aeroplane Corporation, thrilled the community of Weigh Scales (Shamokin, Pa.) with his remarkable and daring repertoire of aerial stunts at the Frank Erdman farm, Sunday, October 31. The aviator arrived at Weigh Scales Friday, October 29, and, after considerable investigation, decided to make flights. The first passengers were taken up on October 30, and the following day, Sunday, he flew over the city, looped-the-loop, made precipitous nose dives and tail spins and otherwise thrilled an overwhelming crowd. Return-

ing to the aviation field Fisher found a goodly number of prospective passengers in waiting, and before long had started carrying those eager to experience the thrill. The following is an excerpt from one of the Shamokin dailies: "There have been several aviators here during the past several months, but Aviator Fisher is the king of them all. He is an expert pilot, handles an airplane with the same ease that the average autoist drives his car, and each of his ascensions and landings seemed remote, and fear was eliminated from many. Scores applied yesterday for the privilege of enjoying a ride at \$10 a trip, but it was utterly impossible to accommodate them all."

EMRICK MAKES RECORD

Helden S. Emrick, manager of the Cincinnati aviation field, made a trip from Dayton, O., to Cincinnati, Thursday, November 4, in 23 minutes, which is said to have broken the record for speed between the two cities.

NEW SPEED RECORD

The world's speed record of 202.82 kilometers an hour, established by Sadi Lecointe recently, was broken November 4, by Captain de Romanet, who flew one kilometer at a speed of 309 kilometers an hour, according to a dispatch from Paris. He made the record in a Spad-Hispano airplane.

WILSON TO EUROPE

Al Wilson is reported to have been seen in Venice, Cal., recently, where he has been visiting his mother, prior to sailing for Europe. He had a very successful season, playing many of the prominent fairs in the East.

"AUTOMATIC BASEBALL"

"Automatic baseball" is one of the midway games that makes a safe and sure hit with the folks. Those trying their luck buy balls that each have a name painted on them, and when a gong is sounded they all toss the balls into a "field" whose sides incline toward a diamond pierced with pockets and lettered for different baseball plays. The one whose ball settles into a hole labeled "three-base hit," "home run," or whatever it may be that indicates the highest scoring, wins a doll. Some one of the bunch playing is bound to win, and that counts with the average midway investor.

NEW DOLL NOVELTIES

Chicago, Nov. 10.—Al Meltzer, the Chicago doll and doll dress man, has announced that he is working on some new novelties that he will introduce to the public in the near future.

LONG INTO VAUDEVILLE

Chicago, Nov. 10.—C. H. Long, an oldtime showman, closed with the Westernman Bros. Shows in Fargo, N. D., and will break in a novelty animal act for vaudeville. Mr. Long was for 19 years with the Forepaugh-Sells Circus.

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BUSINESS MEN BACK OF HUGE CINCINNATI PAGEANT

**Merchants' and Manufacturers' Associations of
City Pledge Financial Support for Pilgrim Ter-
centenary Celebration in 1921—Success Will
Mean Annual Staging of Big Production**

The gigantic pageant planned to be held in Cincinnati in the fall of 1921, in celebration of the Pilgrim tercentenary, has been given hearty endorsement by the wholesale and retail merchants and manufacturers of Cincinnati.

A meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce a few days ago at which B. H. Kroger, Chairman of the Pageant Executive Committee, explained in detail proposed plans for the pageant.

Plans outlined at the meeting include a historic pageant, to be held on the grounds of the University of Cincinnati, in the fall of 1921, in which more than 10,000 persons are to take part. A stage is to be erected on the university grounds large enough to hold 2,000 persons. In addition to the stage, arrangements are to be made for the building of stands designed to seat 50,000 persons.

Mr. Kroger, in a plea for the business men to get behind the movement and pledge a guarantee fund of at least \$300,000 to insure the success of the undertaking, announced that \$150,000 already had been pledged. The money, he explained, was to be used for the purpose of erecting a stage and approximately 50,000 seats in the stadium of the University, and that if the pageant was a success it would lead to the formation of a permanent organization the object of which would be the staging of a big production annually.

The pageant will not be wholly historical, members of the Executive Committee said, but the occasion is to be made one of the best opportunities ever afforded Cincinnati manufac-

turers, retailers and wholesalers to display their wares to good advantage to visiting buyers.

An extensive publicity and advertising campaign is to be launched in the near future, it was stated, which will result in the bringing to Cincinnati during the pageant fully 300,000 visitors. It is planned to present the pageant during a period of four weeks. This will give visiting buyers an opportunity to look over Cincinnati's business and manufacturing districts, and a large volume of business should naturally result from the pageant in this respect, the projectors say.

while in the agricultural building, with J. Ed Ruff, district agent of the extension forces for South Mississippi, as superintendent, nine individual counties had booths that, for the variety of farm products displayed and the initiative used in their construction, proved a veritable sensation among the farmers and farming visitors. Forrest County, in the pine woods belt of South Mississippi, took first prize (\$300) for the best all-round display.

Two hundred club boys, who won their places by distinguished service in their home counties, composed the second annual State Fair Boys' Camp. They spent the entire week viewing the fair, and were comfortably housed in a building especially built by the exposition management. An equal number of club girls occupied a dormitory just constructed for the purpose this year.

The swine display was fully as large as last year, which was the record-breaker. The live stock show, as has been the case the past two years, was a little short, but there were many pretty show herds. The poultry show, with 1,025 birds from five States—Kansas, Illinois, Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi—registered, proved the biggest exhibition of its nature ever held in Mississippi.

The success of the State Fair this season was due, first of all, to the hard work of the State extension staff, fifty of its members serving in various official capacities throughout the period. A lion's share of the credit is due also to Mabel Stire, the general secretary, who for years has shaped up the exposition without a slip. Miss Stire is one of the few women secretaries in

AUTO POLO TEAMS

**Close Most Successful Fair Season—
—Mobile Fair Last Date**

Mobile, Ala., Nov. 12.—Hankinson's Original Auto Polo teams closed the most successful fair season in the history of the sport, which was first introduced to State fairs in 1912 at the Gulf States Fair at Mobile, November 8-13.

The British and American teams, with the original Hankinson equipment, have been busy since the middle of May, 1920, and have covered the most territory in filling dates since the 1915-1916 tour of the Orient.

It was not only by far the leading attraction at the Mobile Fair, where it was played as a game for the first time, but auto polo repeated at many fairs where it has been seen as high as six years in succession.

At North Dakota State Fair, Oklahoma State Fair and Montana State Fair auto polo was seen for the third year. At the Michigan State Fair the Hankinson teams scored a success for the fourth year. At the Burlington (Ia.) Tri-State, the Missouri State, Kansas State and Northern Arkansas fairs auto polo was played for the second consecutive year.

At the Spokane Inter-State, Billings M'd and Empire, New Westminster, B. C.; Superior Tri-State, Bowling Green, O.; Western Washington (Puyallup); Elma, Wash.; Moro, Ore.; Dewey, Ok., and Mobile Gulf State, auto polo was introduced by the Hankinson teams for the first time.

In conjunction with auto races promoted by Ralph Hankinson, auto polo was seen for the first time at Toledo, South Bend, Peoria, Logansport, Lima, Marion, Crown Point and Quincy, Toledo being the farthest point east for the Hankinson teams to play since their advent at Madison Square Garden seven years ago.

The jump made in August from Burlington, Ia., to Elma, Wash., by the original teams, is claimed to be one of the biggest ever made in the attraction game. The special Hankinson baggage car had the distinction of being the first fair attraction car ever carried on the Burlington Fast Mail No. 7 and the Northern Pacific North Coast Limited.

At the New Westminster Exhibition the auto polo contests were an extra added feature to the world's championship lacrosse matches, the famous Canadian sport. Auto polo is the first attraction that the Canadian exhibition officials ever procured which held the crowds after the lacrosse games were finished.

Manager Ralph Hankinson has left for Chicago, where he will attend the various fair association meetings in early December, and arrange for 1921 bookings.

VIRGINIA FAIR SEASON

**Closes After Successful Year—Annual
Meeting of Virginia Assn. of Fairs
in February**

Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 10.—The Virginia fair season closed November 5, the last two fairs being the Chesapeake Fair at Kilmarnock, and the Orange County Fair, at Orange.

The season altogether has been a most prosperous one for fairs, with generally fine weather, altho Roanoke and Lynchburg both had rainy Thursday afternoons. Officials of the State Fair at Richmond were well pleased with the results of their ten-day show, and the general opinion is that the association will not return to the four or five-day fair.

Throughout the whole State there was a better display of live stock than usual, and the racing showed marked improvement.

C. B. Ralston, secretary of the Virginia Association of Fairs, has issued a call for the annual meeting of the association at Bluefield, W. Va., February 7 and 8, 1921. The association has a membership of between twenty and thirty fairs.

NEGRO STATE FAIR

Draws Thousands and Is Highly Successful

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 10.—The Negro State Fair, held the last week in October, was a success in every particular. Thousands of Negroes attended, there were excellent exhibits, and all of the entertainment features reported record business. On Thursday, the big day, there were 15,000 in attendance. The previous day had cut down the attendance, but the fair association had guarded against loss thru rain insurance.

The crowd, on Thursday, was a revelation to those who think that 15,000 Negroes cannot get together in orderly fashion. No semblance of rioting was apparent anywhere in the big throng. The Negroes were a prosperous appearing, well-dressed and well-behaved lot. The fair was a distinct credit to the race in North Carolina, as the entire affair was managed by Negroes.

Chief interest in the fair centered in the races and the free attractions. The races were excellent, and the time made, despite the heavy track, was good. The vocational agricultural students' live stock judging contest attracted much attention. There were 65 contestants.

Speaking editorially of the fair, the Raleigh News and Observer says: "It speaks eloquently for the progress and attainment of the Negro race in North Carolina that 15,000 colored people

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ATTEND THE FAIR MEETINGS!

The next month or two is a time of getting together for fair secretaries and managers the country over, when the various State associations hold their annual meetings to make an appraisal of the past season, lay plans for the coming year, exchange ideas and drive dull care away with a social session or two.

It's good to get together in this manner once a year. Keeps a fellow from getting so far down in a rut that he can't see beyond it, opens his eyes to what the other fellows are doing to advance their fairs, and gives him a vision of what HE can do if he really tries wholeheartedly. He meets not only his fellow secretaries and managers, but, as a rule, some of the leaders in allied fields, from whom many points of practical value may be gleaned.

By all means every fair secretary and manager ought to attend the annual meeting of his State association. And, if he can do it, a trip to Chicago to the meeting of the American Association of Fairs and Expositions and the International Association of Fairs and Expositions will well repay the time and expense involved. These latter two associations meet the first week in December. The Ohio Fair Circuit meets in Toledo December 6 and 7, the Iowa Association at Des Moines December 7, and the Virginia Association at Bluefield, W. Va., early next year. The dates of other State meetings will be announced thru the columns of The Billboard as soon as they are received.

MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR

**Surpasses All Previous Years—Attendance
Reaches 50,000**

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 12.—Surpassing any previous session and easily outstripping any similar exposition ever held in the commonwealth, the seventeenth annual Mississippi State Fair has closed a success from every standpoint, finances included.

The entrance gates clicked approximately 50,000 times during the five days of the event. It is estimated. Night crowds were the greatest in the history of the exposition, with the possible exception of one throng drawn fairward a half dozen years ago by the memorable night flights of Katherine Stinson, a Jackson girl, famed, until sickness overtook her two years ago, as the world's great aviatrix.

The free acts, booked by the United Fairs Booking Association, always of a high type, this year were positively exceptional. Among the acts were: The Codona Family of aerial artists; Princess Victoria, wire walker; Maitland and Lester, acrobats; the Ham Tree Mule, and the Three Alex, equilibrist. J. Saunders Gordon's pyrotechnic spectacle, "Hawaiian Nights," was witnessed by thousands.

The midway was up to its usual standard, the World at Home Shows furnishing the attractions and proving altogether satisfactory. It was the second successive year Polack's outfit had played here, a fact that added all the more glory to that management.

The race track meet, conducted four days of the fair, proved, to quote Harry E. Woods, of Missouri starter, "the cleanest of any short circuit in the country." Several drivers were severely fined and barred from the turf for various periods for holding, by the board of judges. The race program for the exposition was arranged under the direction of J. Alex Sloan, and the drivers included Disbrow, Cline and Rick.

Never before has exhibition space been at such a premium as during the recent fair. A half hundred commercial concerns were represented by displays, besides at least twenty-five various tractor and machinery companies. Fifty-two makes of automobiles composed that show,

the United States, and is recognized the country over as one of the most efficient of them all. Her work has attracted considerable attention, and her advice and general knowledge is eagerly sought.

Figuring also in the fair's success is the liberal policy of the management in the matter of premiums, \$25,000 having been given away this season. The management is headed by the Mayor and Commissioners of the city of Jackson, for the fair is municipally owned, and a Board of Directors of local citizens, with an advisory Board of extension workers. The city's policy in conducting the fair is to make it the best possible for its educational value rather than for profit.

Very worthy of mention also is the patriotism of a public-spirited State press, hundreds of columns being given each year to the value of the State Fair. Last, but not so lowly by any means, this year was the weather. However, only on three occasions of the seventeen has the rain spoiled things.

Plans are going ahead already for 1921, with the workers of the State and Government extension staff foremost in the planning. Their great ambition is to make the State Fair the one big show-window of Mississippi progress, a goal they are rapidly nearing year by year.

EXPANSION

Is Planned by Florida Parishes Fair

Hammond, La., Nov. 10.—At a meeting of the directors of the Florida Parishes Fair the treasurer reported receipts of about \$7,000, which was sufficient to cover all expenses. So successful was the fair that a plan of expansion has been drawn up. W. L. Houlton, president of the association, has been authorized to close a deal for the new fair grounds, consisting of forty acres, located in the southwest part of town.

The work of removing the building and other improvements from the present site in Northwest Hammond is to be pushed, and by the time the next fair opens the directors expect that everything will be in readiness. The new fair grounds will be constructed along modern lines, it is announced, and it is probable that it will be so arranged as to use the grounds for a recreation park.

AMUSEMENT GALORE

**Booked for Houston's Fair and Ex-
position**

Houston, Tex., Nov. 10.—Amusement galore has been booked for Houston's Fair and Exposition, to open November 20, for nine days and nights. In addition to the Wortham Attractions, which will be brought here from the Waco Cotton Palace where big business is reported, the New York Hippodrome Shows, booked by E. F. Carruthers, United Fairs and Booking Office, of New York and Chicago, have been obtained. Twelve circus and hippodrome features from as many States will come here with the hipp attractions.

J. S. Berger, who has charge of Houston's Fair and Exposition, expects 200,000 visitors here. Prizes aggregating \$10,000 have been offered in the live stock section, where hundreds of entries have already been listed. Between \$70,000 and \$100,000 will be spent in staging the fair, which is the first big fair ever planned for Houston, the city where eighteen railroads meet the sea.

Railroads within a radius of 150 miles will give rates during the celebration, which will be opened with a football game between the Rice Institute nine and Daniel Baker College. Invitations to be here during the fair have been accepted by the Governors of Texas and Arkansas. President-Elect Harding has been invited.

No gambling devices will be allowed on the grounds. Wheels are barred. Games of skill, however, are being signed up.

**TO ATTEND FAIR SECRETARIES'
MEETING**

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 12.—T. A. Wolfe, general manager of the Superior Shows, together with several of his staff, will leave Louisville for Chicago about November 25 to attend the annual meeting of the fair secretaries. Among the representatives of the Wolfe interests will be M. W. McQuigg, general representative of the shows, and Sydney Wire, director of publicity. Mr. Wolfe will make a trip to New York City after the meeting, and will also visit other cities in search of novelties and new equipment for the season of 1921.

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NATIONAL ATTRACTIONS CO.

Puts on Elaborate Entertainment for Soft Drink Men at Cincinnati Convention

A precedent in big convention entertainment was established in Cincinnati last week at the thirty-second annual convulse of The American Association of Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages thru the voluminous and diversified amusement program supplied by The National Attractions Co.

The convention was on for three days, beginning Nov. 10, with the dinner-entertainment at the Zoological Garden on Thursday night as the banner social event. Evidently the man in charge of the weather works was overlooked in the circulation of invitations to this affair for he handed out the coldest brand of breezes registered in the fall season. This condition, however, was cheerily overlooked when the whirl of merriment was once started, for the commodious Zoo club house veranda and connecting band shell auditorium were walled with canvas.

The entertainment committee of the soft-drink bottlers was headed by L. E. Yunker, of Indianapolis, and with him served W. O. Mashburn, William Heckerman, Chas. Wagner and Jack Sugerman, of Cincinnati; John M. Silver, Superior, Neb., and Hugh J. McMacken, of Boston, Mass. Having engaged the National Attractions Company to furnish the entertainment features, these men wisely allowed the program to be carried on by direction of O. M. Young, manager of the Queen City amusement enterprise.

A sumptuous dinner marked the starter, with instrumental and vocal renditions, a la cabaret, being served by Mr. Young as the entertainment appetizer. Retiring from festive board, the conventionists advanced from the club house to the auditorium, lined on either side with gaily decorated bazaar booths, from which gleamed variety cases, silk handkerchiefs, candies and other niceties for the ladies, and boxes of cigars and cigarettes, ties, scarfs and other wants for the men. Each person was given a bag containing twenty-five pennies for use as chances on the various prizes.

Interspersing the vaudeville program were intervals of dancing, with Harry Spindler's Novelty Orchestra purveying the jazzy accompaniment, and spoils of lottery activities. Each booth contained a wheel of fortune with an even dozen as the average number of chances thereon. No individual was allowed to risk more than one "brownie" at a time, and the rapidity with which the "raffles" moved afforded each person an opportunity to annex at least one of the coveted articles.

The first turn to be "uncorked" was the offering of Miss Gertrude Langhorst. Her vocal renditions rippled smoothly to the desires of her auditors and caused the talented singer to add several encores.

Miss Daganova, formerly with Pavlowa, an ex-member of the Metropolitan Opera, New York, and at present identified with the Schuster-Martin School, Cincinnati, followed. The manner in which she graced thru Russian classic dances "charged" the carbonated folks to become vociferous in their applause, and the charming to dancer complied with additional phases of her art.

The vaudeville selections of Miss Marie Folsom came next and were received with great favor. The Society Circus of Prof. Anderson proved a decided hit. Among his stock in trade is a group of dogs that equal the performances of most "high-ups" in the canine family: "Snowball," the educated horse, which does most everything but talk; "Baldy," the clown and only high-diving monkey known to the stage, and "Punch," the donkey with a "kick," whom no one could ride.

The program was further livened by the stilted encounters of three pairs of promising juvenile pugilists. Each bout was three rounds and every second was filled with action.

As a "night-cap," Mr. Young offered a sure-ough "bottle-royal," in which a dozen or more "rough brawlers" mixed it up in for-keeps fashion.

S. M. Weiss, of New York, who chronicled the convention for The National Bottlers' Gazette, is authority for the statement that the entertainment provided by The National Attractions Company easily eclipsed that supplied at any convention in the Cincinnati alkali as 2,000 members of the A. A. B. of C. H., and 1,000 supply men from all parts of the country, most of whom were accompanied by members of their families.

On Friday night the entertaining features for the "stag" celebration of the Bottlers also were supplied by The National Attractions Company, the affair being staged at the Zoo.

MONROE EXPOSITION

Chicago, Nov. 12.—G. T. Cross, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Monroe, La., accompanied by W. J. Collins, of the Theatre-Duffield Fireworks Company, were in Bilboird visitors last week. Mr. Cross told The Billboard that the Monroe Fair had been called off for the coming year. He said the street car powerhouse had burned down and that the company is now using the fair property for a power house. The fair association recognized a public need and turned its property over to the company. Mr. Cross also said that the fair association will greatly improve its property within the next year.

Monroe has issued \$1,500,000 bonds for the city improvements, and the county has voted \$1,600,000 bonds for county roads. Three new school buildings are going up in the town which will cost \$300,000.

HARRY RICH PLAYS ZANESVILLE

Harry Rich, dare-devil stunt performer, who has thrilled hundreds of thousands at fairs throughout the country, was a feature attraction at the Armistice Day celebration at Zanesville, O., last week. The city was thronged with visitors, and the stunts of Rich were received with thunderous applause.

Rich was a caller at the home office of The Billboard the day following his appearance at Zanesville, and he stated that for the coming season he intends to put on something in the way of an airplane stunt that will outclass anything seen heretofore. Incidentally this is Harry's first trip into Ohio, altho he has visited almost every other State in the union. He has gone to Hot Springs, Ark., where he will remain until December 1.

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THE CITY BY THE SEA ORGANIZES FOR BIG FAIR

Brunswick, Ga., Nov. 11.—This city, known as "The City by the Sea," has organized a \$200,000 stock company to pull off the best fair ever staged in the South in 1921. One of the most unique stunts, it is announced, will be boat races, all kinds, over a seven-mile course on Oglethorpe Bay. The fair grounds are located on the shores of this bay and is a beautiful site for a fair.

The company is known, temporarily, as the South Atlantic Fair Association. Fred G. Ward is secretary; J. W. Simmons, president; Elliott W. Butts, R. L. Phillips and J. L. Andrews, vice-presidents, and J. M. Couric, treasurer.

HAD BAD FALL

Chicago, Nov. 10.—Elsie Christensen, of the Aerial Christensens, fell twenty feet while performing in Dallas October 12, but did not suffer serious injuries. She returned to work after laying off for five days.

DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED

Huntsville, Ala., Nov. 10.—Stockholders of the Madison County Fair Association voted unanimously to return the present Board of Directors to office for another year. Election of officers is to be held this week.

BUYS FAIR SITE

Miami, Ok., Nov. 11.—The Miami Chamber of Commerce has voted to purchase a tract of thirty-two acres near the city for a permanent site for the Ottawa County Free Fair.

WHERE'S BILLIE STEPHENS?

H. N. Stephens, of Tulsa, Ok., sends a request to The Billboard for information concerning the whereabouts of his son, Billie Stephens, 17 years old, blue eyes and light hair, and large for his age. He is supposed to be following the fairs.

"CIRCUS PICKUPS"

By FLETCHER SMITH

Riding 125 miles in automobiles fourteen members of the Walter L. Main Shows made the trip from Aberdeen, N. C., to Salisbury last week, where, under the watchful eyes of Fletcher Smith and William Glyn, they were made members of Salisbury Lodge, B. P. O. E. A special meeting had been arranged by sanction of District Deputy M. C. Maupin, and the boys were given all that was coming to them and are now privileged to wear the antlers. Those who now sport Elk teeth are Gardner Wilson and William DeMott, who were made members of Herron (Ill.) Lodge, and Jack Davis, W. C. Carmichael, "Doc" Williams, W. B. Fowler, Jack Grissel, James Peterson, "Doc" Cline, Louis Melsel, Jack Wilson and "Red" Weaver, of Salisbury Lodge. The return trip was made without incident, and the boys were the proudest fellows around the show the rest of the season.

Jack Kent, the oldest boss hostler in point of service in the circus business, is doing nicely in a Baltimore hospital and will be out shortly as good as ever. He will return to the Main Shows as soon as he is able.

W. H. Hartmann (Muldoon) and his side partner, W. B. Carmichael, who had the privilege car with the Walter L. Main Show this summer, stored their belongings in Havre de Grace and took the first train for Montreal. They will make a trip to California before returning to winter quarters to fix up for another season.

Arthur Burson, wire walker and who did the free act with the Main Shows the past season, lost no time in getting back to the "Sunny South" and down where the grape fruit is too common to eat regularly. He took the first train out of Franklin, Va., for Florida, where he joined the Rhoda Royal Show for a season of ten weeks.

Bert Fisher, he of Martin Down's days and the well-known "Hebrew" track performer, has joined hands with Herman Greggs, equestrian director of the Main Shows, to engage in the advertising business the coming season. Herman left Havre de Grace for Toledo as soon as the show closed, and this he claims is his last season under the wild tops. Mrs. Greggs and Bernie will spend the winter in New York.

Henry Beals and wife, who were obliged to leave the Main Shows before the season closed in order to put a granddaughter in school, are spending the winter in Philadelphia, but later will put on their heavyweight lifting specialty with one of the big burlesque shows. Henry's daughter is still gaining splendid notices for her work in burlesque.

"Peck" Amsden, legal adjuster of the Main Show, rode the show train to winter quarters, but it did not take him long to make the first train for his home in Litchfield, Ill., where his trusty shotgun and dogs awaited him, and for the next two weeks "Peck" will spend his time in the woods.

A visitor to the Main Shows at Franklin, Va., was Walter L. Main himself, who was en route to Florida, where he will spend the early part of the winter. He saw the whole show and was even among those present at the Wild West concert.

One of the most interested visitors to the Main Shows recently was C. B. (Butch) Fredricks, of the Sparks Circus. He gave the out-

signs his name W. J. Stephens. Anyone knowing his whereabouts is requested to communicate with H. N. Stephens, 2503 E. 6th street, Route 7, Box 144, Tulsa, Ok.

PIKE FAIR CLOSES

Troy, Ala., Nov. 12.—The Pike County Fair has closed after a most successful session. The closing day was the biggest of all, and the grounds were thronged with sightseers. A full program of races and free acts was given. On Friday the big feature was a "cotton pageant," arranged by the State Normal School. Floats representing all of the principal nations were shown, and this feature proved to be one of the most attractive features of the entire week.

TO READ PAPER

R. J. Pearse, a member of the firm of Pearse, Robinson & Sprague, Inc., landscape and architectural engineers, of Des Moines, Ia., is to present a paper at the annual meeting of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions at Chicago on September 1. The subject of his paper will be "Getting Results in Planning the Modern Fair."

DUTTONS' BEST SEASON

The Duttons, one of the leading fair acts, are offering Southern fairs and report that their offering is going big everywhere. They are at Sumter, S. C., this week and the week of November 22 will play Bishopville, S. C., which closes their fair season. This has been one of the most successful tours they have ever had.

IOWA FAIRS' ANNUAL MEETING

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Iowa Fair Managers' Association will be held Tuesday, December 7, at the New Savery Hotel, Des Moines. H. S. Stanbery is president of the organization and M. E. Bacon secretary. Mr. Bacon says every live fair man in the State is expected at the meeting.

fit a thro "going over" and was surprised at the splendid condition of the equipment. Clifton Sparks and Mrs. Charles Sparks were also visitors and saw the Main Shows seat 'em on the ground.

C. B. Batcher, bandmaster the past season with the Main Shows, will spend the winter with Mrs. Batcher in Baltimore.

Sam Snyder, who played a "peck horn" with the Main Shows the past season, has polished up his star and smoothed off his trusty night stick and will put in the winter months at Williamsport, Pa., where he will be a terror to eviscerators.

Gardner Wilson, the rising young press agent of the Main Shows, put in a couple of days with his tutor, Jimmie Herron, treasurer of the show, and then hurried to Philadelphia, where after a brief vacation he will join one of Jimmie Hodges' musical comedies for the winter.

George Coy, who learned how to "put it up" and "take it down" with the Gentry Show and who has had the canvas with the Main Shows the past season, is at home in the bosom of his family for the winter, and there will be plenty of good home cooking for "Pop" this winter. In working hours he can be found at the winter quarters of the Main Shows.

John Cowden and wife, the former just as good a trap drummer as he is an aerialist, as soon as the Main Shows closed shipped his traps home and jumped to Florida, where he will spend the winter with the Earl Hawk Stock Company. He will be back, as usual, with the Main Shows in the spring.

The happiest man around the Main Show on the closing day was Jack Davis of the Wild West. A telegram received that morning announced the arrival of a bouncing eight-pound boy at the home of Mrs. Davis in Chicago, and Jack could hardly wait for the first train.

John Metz, who had as a feature with the Main Shows this season "Serpentina," lost no time in opening his winter season and made a short jump to Philadelphia, where his attraction is being featured at Norman Jeffries Museum. He has with him Belle Mainhold and a new freak he picked up in the South called "Slim Jim."

Writing this in the New York office of The Billboard I ran the gauntlet from the Times Building and in five minutes met and shook hands with Joe Hughes, who has been flat hunting, and finally located; Joe Ferrar, Ben Williams, M. DeBen, Oriental showman; Mike Ziegler, concessioner; Sam Kitz, Clyde Hibbell, Pop Foster, Maurice Levy, Ralph Finner, Ed White and George Dexter, who I knew in the old museum days, when George lectured and told the natives about the freaks in Austin & Stone's Boston Dime Museum.

Also had a pleasant half hour with Ed Holland, who drops into New York most every day from his home in Haworth, N. J. He tells me, by the way, that Walter Shannon is a new neighbor and has purchased a home in the New Jersey suburb.

The fried clams and broiled lobsters of Rockland, Me., and the good old boiled dinners of New Hampshire call me, and I am off for a vacation 'way down East. Mail will reach me after the first of December at Havre de Grace, Md., care the Walter L. Main Shows.

PLAN FOR WORLD EXPO.

For Philadelphia in 1926 To Be Pushed —Committee To Report Dec. 1

Philadelphia, Nov. 10.—At a meeting of 100 prominent citizens in the office of Mayor J. Hampton Moore last week steps were taken for the holding here in 1926 of a great international exposition, to mark the 150th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Mayor Moore was requested to appoint a committee of 400 to prepare a plan of procedure and to report to the General Committee before December 1. The Mayor was also asked to urge the City Council to prepare plans for the celebration and appropriate \$50,000.

There is now in Congress a bill providing financial assistance for the proposed exposition.

WELL-KNOWN FREE ACTS AT ALBANY (GA.) FAIR

The Six Royal Hussars closed their fair season at Albany, Ga., October 30, and report that 1920 was one of their most successful seasons. The Four Aerial Lloyds, the Three Alex and the Marco Twins also played Albany, Ga., and Art Buesenmeister had charge of the fireworks displays put on by the Theatre-Duffield Fireworks Company.

All of these, with the exception of the Hussars, played Macon, and from there to Savannah. They report that they had a wonderful time on the train from Albany to Macon.

COLORED FAIR

To Be Held at Adel, Ga.

Adel, Ga., Nov. 10.—The Cook County Fair Association has leased its grounds, buildings and race track to the South Georgia Colored Fair Association, and the latter will hold a fair and exposition for the colored people of South Georgia five days, commencing November 30. The secretary of the Cook County Fair Association is aiding the colored association in securing attractions, free acts, bands, etc., and will otherwise aid them in their plans to make it the best colored fair in the State.

BRAY'S NEW ACT

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Captain George Bray, the "Niagara Hero," has written The Billboard from Richmond, Cal., that he will soon appear in his latest act, a comedy water act, in which he will introduce "Jiggs, the Sport," learning to walk on the water. He writes that he will close of the show with a naval battle, in which he destroys a fleet of battleships while in his lifesaving suit.

CLOSES WITH FAIRS

Ed Holder's famous act, "Ebenezer, the Ham Tree Mule," closed the season with the fairs recently in Pittsburg, Tex., making the twenty-second consecutive week that the act has worked on the fairs this season as a free attraction.

NEGRO STATE FAIR

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could take a day off and enjoy themselves in wholesome amusement and recreation at the Negro State Fair yesterday without there being the least resemblance of disorder.

"The exhibits reflected great credit upon those who got them up, the other features including the midway were of a high standard, but those attending the event afforded the most striking exhibition. Scores of automobiles parked about the fair grounds attested to the prosperity attained by many of the Negro race in the State. Satisfaction and contentment were evident on every side.

"The good order observed was wholly due to the Negroes themselves, as they furnished the officers and looked after the policing of the grounds. We congratulate the race upon this achievement.

"THINGS I SEE AND HEAR EVERY DAY"

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but owing to heavy election billing could not get in touch with the others. Hinton was with the Barnum Show, in late years, and is well remembered by his workings as brigade manager for that attraction.

Joe Culla is managing the Liberty Theater in Youngstown, ably assisted by Al Coder, and a real pair of up-to-the-minute boys they are, ever ready to assist in any way possible. Must say that the front of the Liberty Theater looked as near a front entrance of a circus as possibly could be made, with an assortment of pennants, banners and flags, together with a canvas marquee, ticket wagon built of beaver board, two balloon peddlers and one man selling peanuts, and a ballyhoo of a "rube" hand. We even had the crowds.

Dana Lamson has been appointed assistant manager of the Empire in Cleveland.

LORETTE WITH HOLDER

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Lorette, clown policeman with the Sells-Floto Circus, and who closed in East St. Louis with that show, has gone on a Southern trip with Ed Holder, famed in vaudeville, in search of mules. Lorette will go with Mr. Holder in vaudeville this winter, in charge of "Tete," a diminutive mule, 40 inches tall, and incidentally one of the smallest mules in the world. Lorette will join the Sells-Floto organization April 2, when that show again opens in the Coliseum, Chicago, and will take his accustomed place in the performance.

Mr. Holder will have three mule acts working in vaudeville this winter.

GEORGE ROSS' WIFE DEAD

Mrs. Mary P. Ross, wife of George W. Ross, with Howe's Great London Circus, died after a short illness on November 1, at the age of 61 years. Mr. Ross was on the show when he was telegraphed to come home. He extends sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Odum and others on the show who were so kind to him.

PIPES

By GASOLINE BILL BAKER

"Killing time"—telling what you have done; do it now.

Don't blame us, boys, for not boosting your choice for President—there were boosters for both sides.

A good many of the leaf boys have left the Intermountain Country in the Northwest, headed for Arizona.

Thomas Webb says he will have a special article in "Pipes," Christmas special edition. All right, ol' top—not too long now—we want lots of 'em.

Hear that Nisson and Foss recently passed thru Salt Lake City, bound for California, and were contemplating the taking over of the Berry-Bros.' Circus for next season. Right?

Sandbligen is said to be holding down Cedar and Seventh streets, St. Paul, with tie retainers; has done good business and made many friends.

Prepare for your Christmas business now. At least, look about you and pick out just what you will handle during this all important season for activity.

Among the paper boys remaining in Salt Lake City, Utah, were Clark, Adair, Fellows, Ryan, Fullman, Kelley and—whoever sent the pipe forgot to enclose the rest of his contribution.

Jack January writes that he is in durance vile at Holdenville, Ark., having had a hard "fall," and adds that it will take four "cs" to spring him. He can be addressed care of the county jail there.

But a few issues remain before the Christmas Special. Pipes are already coming in nicely, but we want lots of 'em, also to have them in time that they will not have to be held over for later issues.

Irving Goldstein, demonstrator of the humanitones, will be in Louisville, Ky., with his assistant, J. A. Frankel, pianist, until Christmas. Says he has contracted to demonstrate in McCrory's, and wants Doc (C. L.) Campbell to shoot a pipe.

Who is the guy going around gathering up photo buttons of defeated political candidates at giveaway prices, with the intention of using the frames for the next campaign? There "ain't" any doing it? That's funny.

Reports have it that Dr. Herbert I. Travelutte has what he thinks is the best hyp. attraction of his experience, and the show is doing big business down in Texas. It is also noted that "Mrs. Dean's Big Boy 'Skip'" is manager of the organization.

A couple requests have been received for the reproduction of a poem, "The Pitchman," written (with apologies to Rudyard Kipling) by Monty Fardon and published in this column several years ago. We will again use the poem in the Christmas Special.

Dame Rumor has it that J. L. Daly, who had the Farm Life office in Salt Lake City, has left that city for Colorado, and "wedding bells" may soon be chiming in those diggings. Reports also have it that Joe Keyr has taken unto himself a wife, as has John Dolan, of Idaho Falls.

R. E. Young, of the sheet fraternity, says it was sure some banquet that E. Huff of the Capper office in Oklahoma City gave the boys at a prominent hotel, he paying their expenses while in the city, and some of them their railroad fare in and out. We take it that Young is going in strong for indoor dolings this winter.

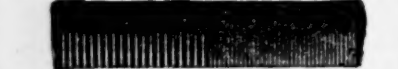
Lynn Smith, manufacturer of the Aladdin Art Embroidery Needle, spent a few days in Cincinnati last week on business. He reported excellent progress with placing his article on the market, and is looking forward to gratifying results from store and indoor demonstrators during the winter months.

Bob White shoots in the following query from Chicago: "Question—Who is going to pay my boardbill while I sit at home reading my Billboard?" Let's see, what's the lines in that old "nigger act"? Something like this: "Charge it to 'Bill'?" Nope, not Gasoline Bill, or "Bill Board"—some other "Bill."

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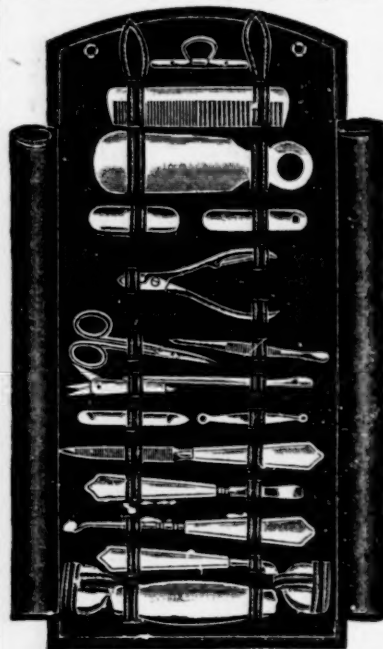


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and year at that resort. A. J. says he also had a fine fair season. He is now located with a window demonstration on Vine street, Cincy, but may again put in the winter at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

A pipe from Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Trout states that they were still plugging away down Birmingham, Ala., way and pleasing the natives. Owing to good business they stayed two weeks longer in Alabama than intended. They were to make a ten days' stand in Memphis following Birmingham, and then to Hot Springs for a much needed month's rest.

Hamilton and Lee, the entertainers, who recently closed a brief engagement with some musical comedy company, returned to Cincinnati last week to join Dr. Ed F. Weise's big medicine show in Ohio for the winter. "Goin' back 'home' with Doc and the Missus," was their comment.

There will be any number of bazaars, indoor circuses, festivals, etc., this winter—more than ever before. A neat demonstration with a good article should go well in connection with these affairs. If you play them have a neat frame up, keep yourself likewise and work like an energetic merchant. Your personality and refined lecture have much to do with good results at these indoor events.

Dr. T. R. Marshall passed thru Cincinnati last week, coming from the East, where he planted several lines of his med., and was on his way to Lexington, Ky., on business. T. R. has established both his home and laboratory in Huntington, W. Va., and stated that he is of the actual pitching business for the present, as he is confining his activities to his business interests. The old scout looks fine and quite prosperous.

Dr. Ed F. Weise was delayed with the opening of his indoor show in Ohio last week, because of his son's having to undergo an operation on Thursday. Hamilton and Lee, who were to join the show, remained over in Cincinnati, playing vaudeville dates until they should be called upon to report for the opening, which on Friday was thought would be the first of this week.

One of the lads wants to know if "Dad" Frazer has returned from his European trip. Doggone, fellow, Dad is sure back, but is retreating from any connection with "Dad's Hotel," Philadelphia, and is opening a place in Europe. To be exact, "Dad's Theatrical Cafe," on the Boulevard, Bruxelles, Belgium. By the way, John McCloskey's name appeared on the card along with Frazer's, but was scratched off—whatsamatter, John; ain't cha goin'?

Mark Steele says he has seen many pitchmen heading for Texas. It might be well to remember that too much cream or sugar in coffee spoils it as a spirit reviving beverage—straight workers—and should the pot become scorched it leaves a bad taste in the mouth—the game killers. In other words, if there are to be many workers in the Lone Star State this winter, let congeniality, non-prejudice and the uplifting and retaining of the business be their motto.

G. O. Smith and the good wife worked eastward last spring from Columbus, O., but returned to Columbus a few weeks later. The Missouri has a millinery store in the Buckeye State capital which they are thinking of selling and going to Pensacola, Fla., for the winter. G. O. writes as follows: "We came back to Columbus and I have been working the shops and market with soldier here all summer—by working clean and treating the people as humans beings like myself—and have done nicely."

G. R. Lenoxx, it seems, found his "internal machinery" not working in just the proper manner, and a heavy feeling in the region of his chuck container (stomach), and betook himself to an x-ray apparatus, likely imagining that ye good physicians would extract therefrom a "Woolworth building." The examination proved, however, that it would not be necessary to do the usual amount of carving in such cases, and with a little rest he will soon be able to again get busy. In the meantime he is hibernating in the old town of Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Here's our thanks to G. R. Lenoxx. In a recent letter G. R. includes the following appreciation of our humble efforts—toward everybody: ". . . needless to say, I read the 'Times'—as you well know—and must give you credit for your impartial handling of same."

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"What's in a name?" said Shakespeare "And there isn't so much, but it's 'L,'" says R. F. Lane, the sheetwriter, "when there's another chap in the same business, and with the identical name and initials. Letters and telegrams have been getting mixed up until at last it seems the two namesakes have reached an agreement. They propose to number themselves, i. e., R. F. Lane No. 1 and R. F. Lane No. 2. R. F. Lane No. 1 was in Cincinnati recently, on his way East, after a trip thru the Carolinas, Tennessee and Georgia. He will stay East until his wife is in better health and in the meanwhile he sends his best to R. F. Lane No. 2.

Capt. H. G. Sinks says it's South for himself and the Missus for the winter. They left St. Paul on October 26, en route to New Orleans. Stopped over in Chicago for a few days and worked at North Clark and Erie streets with good results. On November 2 they jumped to Quincy, Ill., and met the Doc's partner, Edw. M. Ladd, who is getting ready for his trip to Cuba. Captain writes that Ladd had been holding out in that spot for a week with surprisingly good passouts on herbs, oil, salve and soap, and with a neat auto frame-up—plush standards 'n' everything. J. C. Stanley was entertaining and holding the pushes.

The business of a few homeguards was hit rather severely recently when an ordinance was passed in Cincinnati that no person should be allowed to demonstrate, sell or offer for sale goods, wares or merchandise from any vehicle of any kind, or by hand on the streets or sidewalks, within the congested district of the city. The privilege as formerly in vogue did not bother the road man a great deal, as there were only stuytinnos, selling chameleons, dogs, bird warblers, balloons, glims, etc., in evidence—most of them working the gutters. As the fall racing meet at Latonia was finishing, the police were ordered to break up the practice of selling race tips on the street corners.

Monroe (Monty) Ferdon, who closed his season on October 1 at Clinton, Ia., has returned to his home in Indianapolis, where he will practice law during the winter (be it remembered that Monty was admitted to the bar in all courts at Indianapolis about two years ago). By the way this enthusiastic representative of pitchdom has again reduced his income tax—he has another boy in the family—been married ten years and is now the proud daddy of two sons and one daughter. Monty opened his out of town season at Rock Island and played in but two towns during the entire summer. Chas. Wittman was with Ferdon in Clinton and drove thru with him as far as Indianapolis on his way South.

A letter from Dr. E. L. (Larry) Barrett states that he recently closed a twenty weeks' season, during which he did not miss a day's work with the exception of Sundays, stayed from three days to three weeks in a town and experienced but one bloomer. He is putting out an opera house show for the winter, and the first of last week jumped from St. Louis, where he has his labor-o-y, to Lebn, Ill., and engaged the well-known Jack Brannagan as manager of the indoor company. Larry adds that he is shipping his trucks south by boat, and will open his outdoor season somewhere in "Dixie" when the roses bud again. In the meantime he will hold out in St. Louis, and says he will keep the coffee pot boiling and the latch string on the outside for all the lads who pass that way.

As mentioned in a recent issue, J. J. Russell, sheetwriter and showman, was reported confined in a hospital at Louisville, Ky., suffering a nervous breakdown, and later reports had it that he had been transferred to an asylum. A collection was taken up by the Greater Sheesley Shows, and also a number of the leaf boys kicked in that he might get medical attention. On November 10 Bill received the following letter of appreciation for the boys' aid from Mr. Russell:

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By E. E. Hayes: A photo-play-comedy (?), entitled "The Adventure of the New Beginner," in two "scenes" and a "grand finale." Scene 1—A crowded lot. There stands a man, who demonstrates and hands 'em out the junk, takes cash and such—in short, a hang-up pitch. A lad looks on, enraptured (Resolved: "He would a pitchman be!"). He buys a bottle of the stock and bies him to his happy home. Scene 2—The barn, at home. The lad has spent a case note (last he had) to know whereof this stuff consists, to manufacture same. He frisks again the note, the chemist sent (for which his last bean he bath spent). Insert on the screen: "Letter from chemist, giving formula and directions how to make." It reads (as you've "jist" plainly seen): "This stuff is a big part gasoline. Mix all, then boil and bottle—cold. Then label, and it may be sold." The Grand Finale—On an oilstove, something frothy's seen to boil. The lad, of 'cose, has never known of "water bath," was never shown "the closed process of ebullition"—B-A-N-G!! (Business of complete demolition!)

GOVERNOR CATTS

Guest of Greater Sheesley Shows

Live Oak, Fla., Nov. 10.—Governor Sydney J. Catts, of Florida, lent his distinction to the Greater Sheesley midway at the Leon County Fair at Tallahassee last week by being the guest of the big caravan. He spent the entire evening of Friday there, shaking hands with most of the boys just like an old trouper, and expressing his commendation for the caravan trouper in the words: "If I'd known carnal men were like you folks I might have become a carnival owner myself years ago instead of going into politics."

The Governor was well received on the shows, being as popular during his evening's stay as he is with his many admirers throughout the State of Florida. He found a man after his own heart in W. H. Hicks, legal adjuster of Captain John's caravan, in whom the spring of humor is ever flowing. Both Mr. Hicks and the Governor talked over old times in politics and the outdoor show business during the afternoon of Friday before the Governor came to do the caravan honor with his presence. And following his visit there he presented Mr. Hicks with a personal letter to the effect that no better or more congenial a lot of show folk ever came into his acquaintance than the same Sheesley aggregation.

Another feature of the same week at Tallahassee was the novelty of a Scottish highlander, "Scotty," or the former Major McIven, of the Gordon Highlanders, sitting complacently on the tip of an airplane wing playing his bagpipe, while soaring about the invisible medium over the Peninsular State's capital. The plane was piloted by Eddie Bass, one of the "Flying Farmers," who have been exhibiting with the Sheesley Shows for the past four weeks, and probably will continue for the remaining two weeks. The Darling Scotty, by the way, was embellished in his "kilties" during that novel ride, last Thursday and Friday. He will perform the same here today.—WILLIAM A. HAPP.

BARLOW'S BIG CITY SHOWS

Thoroughly organized for their winter tour Barlow's Big City Shows are speeding thru Louisiana. The equipment is being carried in two leased baggage cars, and the trainmaster, Joe Houghton, is getting the paraphernalia off the lots in good time.

Manager Barlow has one of the strongest minstrel shows ever organized. Herman Henry is producer, and he is surrounded by 15 clever and versatile performers. A new platform show has been completed by R. L. Mays, in charge of construction. This show was opened at Zwolle, La., under the management of Jimmy Francis. "Curly" Wilson, who has been with this caravan for several seasons, left recently to play indoor bazaars in Texas. Ed Broughton, with an aluminum ware wheel, and pillow top and blanket wheels, is a new addition to the line-up. An election "victory celebration" was staged on the midway at Logansport, La., during the shows' stay there. Manager Barlow entertained the members of the company at dinner after the show, the luncheon being served by Captain Jack Owen, an oldtime trouper, who conducts a restaurant in that city.—B. V.

ZEIGER BUYS INTEREST

O. F. Zeiger advises The Billboard that he has purchased the John F. Sandy interest in the John F. Sandy Shows, and will again send it out next season as a two-car organization—a sleeper and a baggage car. He will also again have out his C. F. Zeiger United Shows, another two-car caravan. Both will be under Mr. Zeiger's personal direction, and will play Western territory.

Mr. Zeiger is now en route with his week-end dramatic show, playing the same route he has covered the past four years, and reports that business so far has been very good.

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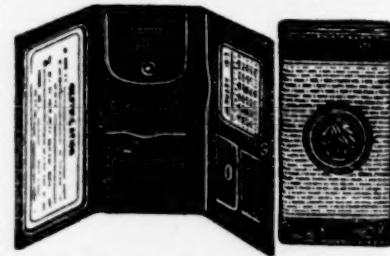
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LUNCHEON PROMINENT EVENT

During Ladies' Auxiliary Bazaar in Chicago—More Donations Received and Still More Coming

Chicago, Nov. 12.—One of the most interesting events of "Bazaar Week" will be a luncheon given by the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, which will be held in the Hotel Sherman on December 2 at one o'clock. This will be just a little different from the affairs given in previous years, and the hotel management is making a special effort to make this one of the most attractive events ever staged in this popular hotel. Cards have been mailed to the members of the Auxiliary, and each member is requested to advise the secretary as soon as possible whether she will be present. If for any reason any member fails to receive her card she is also requested to notify the secretary at once whether she is coming, as it is necessary to advise the hotel a few days in advance, so they can make the necessary preparations. The luncheon is free to members of the Auxiliary. Any member desiring to bring a guest may do so by paying \$2.00 for each one. A good luncheon and special amusement features are on the program for the afternoon.

While there were many responses to the request that members get in their donations as rapidly as possible there are still quite a number to hear from, and it is hoped that all these will send word during the coming week. Donations received during the past week are as follows: Mrs. R. H. Jones, linen and silver set; Mrs. Wm. Schwartz, a baby blanket and a luncheon set; Mrs. Anna Gunnarson, three laundry bags, a pair of silk socks, three handkerchiefs and three jars of preserves; Peter Van Schaack, 27 miniature manicure sets and three dozen powder puff boxes; Chicago Roller Skate Co., two pairs of roller skates; Jacobek & Co., six "Columbia" records; Archie Spencer, basket of artificial flowers; Katherine Coutry, 12 glasses of jelly and a dresser scarf; Minnie Gunnarson, a hand-embroidered kimono and a dolly roll; A. H. Randall Co., a wicker bird cage and stand; Taylor Trunk Co., a silk handbag; Peter Reinberg has promised flowers for the flower booth each day; Ethel Robinson, a handsome baby doll; Mrs. W. Fred McGuire, a handsomely dressed doll, standing 24 inches high; Brown & Williams, one dozen plaster dolls; Muir Art Co., six pillows, and Mrs. Harry Noyes an unusually handsome hand-embroidered scarf and dolly.



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GEORGE LA ROSE TO CUBA

Chicago, Nov. 12.—George LaRose, who had his "Electric Fountain" on Polack Bros.' 20 Big Shows, was a Chicago visitor this week, having closed his seventh season with the Polack organization at the State Fair in Richmond, Va. Mr. LaRose will reorganize his show and take it to Cuba for twelve weeks, starting the last of this month. He was in Chicago looking for people for the act. Mr. LaRose told The Billboard that he got so far north in Canada that the sun didn't set until between 9 and 10 o'clock at a night, and that his last act was put on after midnight.

BUDD MENZEL BACK

Chicago, Nov. 13.—Budd Menzel, well known showman and friend of The Billboard, who had the War Exhibit on the Con T. Kennedy Shows this season, has closed with that organization and is back in Chicago. Budd has not announced his plans for the winter as yet.

HAVE SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Louis Wish and Max Shapiro, concessioners with the World at Home Shows the past season, report a most successful engagement. Louis went for his brother, Jack Wish, of Chicago, to help them before closing.

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LOUISVILLE "WINTER HOME" OF T. A. WOLFE'S SUPERIOR SHOWS

Kentucky State Fair Board Grants Use of Grounds and Buildings—Plans Call for Expenditure of \$50,000 in Enlarging Organization to Thirty Cars for Next Season

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 12.—After an eventful season of thirty-four weeks T. A. Wolfe's Superior Shows closed their season here last Sunday, when the big twenty-car train moved out to the Kentucky State Fair grounds, where the shows will winter and where adequate railway trackage for the cars has been arranged for thru the courtesy of the State Fair Board.

A number of other shows had made overtures to the fair executives for the use of the grounds and buildings, but the lease was granted to Mr. Wolfe at the general meeting held last week. This will include the use of a number of buildings for the installation of workshops, blacksmith and painters' shops, as well as the use of the big Coliseum, where there is ample head room for the erection of the new show fronts, which will be built during the layoff season. Many improvements are planned, and the show will be enlarged to a thirty-car organization, which will carry eight riding devices and twenty shows. New wagons are already being built at Peru, Ind., and these will be delivered at winter quarters before Christmas, where special bodies will be constructed to suit the various requirements.

Manager T. A. Wolfe intends to completely reorganize his show, and, with the many modifications planned, he hopes to bring it into a class that will be on a par with any of the bigger and better midway organizations now in the field. He states that he will spend no less than \$50,000 in this effort, and he, with his agents, are now scouring the field for new and novel features and attractions of all sorts and varieties. Among the many features planned is a portable playground for the younger children, which will include a covered enclosure, where baby carriages may be left and where the kiddies will be taken care of by a competent nurse, who will be carried with the show for the purpose. Suitable toys will be on hand to amuse the children, and a sandpile will be at their disposal, so that the youngsters can enjoy themselves while their parents or guardians are "taking in" the sights on the midway.

Several new shows are in preparation, and a number of startling features will be included in the program. Manager Wolfe is a young and progressive showman, who has made rapid strides during his brief career as a carnival owner and manager, and his show has, in a few short years, grown from a small outfit to a twenty-car organization.

M. W. McQuigg, general agent of the shows, with Ethel E. Jones, secretary, will remain in

Louisville for the present, while Bert Warren, with a corps of working men, will soon start to make things hum around the workshops at winter quarters.

A big farewell dance is being arranged for the performers and employees of the show.

Sydney Wire, personal representative for Mr. Wolfe, is away on a business trip in the interests of the show.

MOSS BROS.' GREATER SHOWS

In Winter Quarters at Muskogee, Ok.—To Be Enlarged for Next Season

Muskogee, Ok., Nov. 10.—Moss Bros.' Greater Shows closed their 1920 season at Muskogee Saturday, October 30, and will remain in winter quarters until spring. The winter quarters are at the Street Railway Barns. The show will

be enlarged to fifteen cars next season, seven box cars, five flat cars, two sleepers and one coach. One of the new cars has arrived, and the others are expected some time this month.

Dick O'Brien has resigned as assistant manager and will devote all his time to the minstrel and his animal show. Dick will also build a fun show. Phil Hamburg, who had seven concessions with the show all season, is wintering in Tulsa. Mr. Hamburg is buying a whip. H. G. Traver, of the Traver Engineering Co., of Beaver Falls, Pa., called on Mr. Moss November 5, and in less than one hour Mr. Moss had bought one of the large "sea planes." Mr. Traver says the ride will reach winter quarters not later than March 1. Secretary C. K. Vance left Sunday to spend a few days in St. Louis with "Bill" Farley and Frank Layman. Mr. Vance will be seen in the office wagon again next season.

ROGERS' GREATER SHOWS

Napoleonville, La., Nov. 11.—Rogers' Greater Shows opened here with a fine line-up, after being off the road for two seasons. The attractions include C. Harris' Big Eli wheel, "Nina" show and cookhouse; Rogers' Georgia Minstrel, with sixteen people, and featuring Mabel Hanson; Rogers' "Over the Falls," Rogers' airplane swing, "Outlaw Frank's" Wild West, featuring Colorado Jack, bucking horse rider, J. L. Chambers has just joined with ten neatly framed concessions.—L. W. T.

HIBBARD MAKES COMPLAINT

C. M. Hibbard, of Sturgis, Mich., a concession man, has registered a complaint against Al F. Guman, who recently promoted a bazaar at Columbus, O., claiming he accepted money for wheels and refused to refund when the wheels were not allowed to run.

RUBIN & CHERRY SHOWS

Secure Camp Wadsworth at Spartanburg, S. C., for Winter Quarters

Altho the Rubin & Cherry Shows have for the past four seasons wintered in Montgomery, Ala., it was found necessary to secure larger quarters this year. Each season during the past four years this organization has received flattering offers from towns and cities visited, requesting that Manager Gruber winter his shows with them, but the home call was always the stronger, and he moved on to Alabama soil. This year, as usual, the same requests were made, and since the old quarters at Montgomery were not sufficient to take care of the many new features added during the summer months Spartanburg, S. C., was selected as the winter abode of the organization, after Secretary Walker, of the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Floyd had made an urgent appeal that the shows locate there for the winter, offering the choice buildings of former Camp Wadsworth and sufficient trackage for the thirty cars.

There are few who have not at some time or place visited one of the cantonments erected during the war period in the many Southern cities, and it is easy to understand just how convenient these camps are for housing shows.

Work will begin very soon for the new season, and many will be the surprises sprung in the way of novel shows. After attending the convention in Chicago, December 1, Manager and Mrs. Gruber will divide their time between Spartanburg and Montgomery, where their daughter, Edith, is attending school.

TAXIER & MEYERHOFF IN CUBA

R. L. Weeks, with Taxier & Meyerhoff in Cuba, writes The Billboard as follows: "We have arrived in Cuba, landing on election day. Found things very quiet and with no excitement. We at once got used to the slow ways of the Cuban people, and it took us two weeks to unload and get the paraphernalia to the location. The place of amusement has been named Palisades Park, and it seems all Havana is awaiting our opening.

"In the lineup there are: Shaefer's Dangling Hall, Mack's whip and Eli wheel, 'Green's' Motordrome and Athletic Show, Hedder's Fica Circus, Goldberg's War Exhibition, Capt. Powers' Illusion Show, Herman's Foolish House, Patten's Diving Girls, the Filipino Village, a three-act carousel, ocean wave, better-skeeter and airplane circle swing. In all there are fifteen attractions and thirty-two concessions. No wheels or games of chance are allowed.

"Our lot is at Maceo Square, in the heart of Havana, and is 550x400 feet in dimension. Last year we showed on a lot 150x150, but there was not room for more than five shows. This year we have a much larger outfit. We have learned some new things here and will be better informed next year, for in Havana the management of any shows had better have it in their contract to cover all licenses, as there is a tax on every engine motor and a different license for many other things. I will keep the showmen posted as to conditions here."

BANQUET AND BALL

Reservations Are Coming in Slowly and Chairman Says Hurry Up

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Edward P. Neumann, chairman of the banquet and ball of the Showmen's League of America, asks that all intending to come to this function, December 1, send in their reservations at once, without further delay. There is a sound reason back of the chairman's request. There is no doubt that the banquet and ball will be an immense success this year. But the reservations are coming in slowly. This means that when the crash comes—that is, when everybody waits till the last minute and sends in their reservations—the seating proposition will become a problem, and a lot of people will not get as good seats as they will if they send in their reservations now.

The banquet and ball will be held in the great Cameo Room of the Morrison Hotel during the meeting of the fair secretaries, and it will probably see the most notable gathering of show people that has ever attended this annual event.

LEVITT & HUGGINS SHOWS

Finish Engagement in Frisco

San Francisco, Nov. 11.—Levitt & Huggins' Allied Shows closed here Saturday night after a run of seventeen days, under the auspices of the local Greek societies, and the shows opened Monday at Marysville, Cal., under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion. Much favorable comment was elicited by the Levitt-Huggins attractions in this city, and their future success is looked forward to by those wise in the show game who visited them on the circus lot here.

KRAUSE GETS KEY WEST

Manager Ben Krause, of the Krause Greater Shows, has wired The Billboard that his organization has secured contracts for the Firemen's Celebration and Carnival, to be held in Key West, Fla., December 1 to 12.



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FIDELITY EXPOSITION SHOWS

To Be Launched Next Season

Hackensack, N. J., Nov. 11.—The Fidelity Exposition Shows will be in the field next season with a brand new outfit. The management has just received a new Allan Herschell three-act carousel and a new Big Eli wheel, and will soon close the purchase of another ride. There will be three rides, two shows and ten concessions, which will be owned by the company, and in addition five or six other shows and about thirty-five other concessions.

The men principally interested in the enterprise are: John Muldoon, a ride owner of several years ago, and Frank J. Byrne, formerly with Nell O'Brien's Minstrels, but recently interested in the outdoor show business. The shows will play the East.—F. J. B.

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The Tri-State Exposition at Savannah, Ga., opened Monday, November 8, and the gates, opening at 8 a.m., found everything in as complete order as tho the fair had been in operation for years. The long heralded event started off with an attendance not duplicated at many sister fairs of the year. The visitors were eager in their praise and found all that President Morehouse and Manager Fleming had promised them was fulfilled in double measure quantities. And the Johnny J. Jones Exposition was on hand in all its splendor.

Rain made its appearance in the forenoon on Armistice Day, but even this, or the fact that the street railway company had been unable to complete the car line within half a mile of the entrance to the grounds, failed to dampen the ardor of the fair patrons, and the result was big business, both in the afternoon and at night. The Fair Association was insured against rain, and will receive \$5,000.

Ike (Trump) Friedman, Eph Gettman, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Friedman, Dr. B. K. Hanaford, manager Florida State Fair, accompanied by Mr. Howard; Col. R. M. Striplin, manager Southeastern Fair, and wife; Charles Taylor and Charles Lawrence, concessioners; E. W. Weaver, manager Washburn-Weaver Shows; "Faison" Jo Durning, Arthur Rose, of "Automation Man" fame; Frank Perkins, Cy Cleveland, James C. Simpson, Col. Abe Guggenheim, W. Fred Mason, William Franklin Riley, in advance of Gus Hill's Minstrels, and his assistant, Harry Greenway, and accompanied by Manager Monroe, of the Savannah Theater; and Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Neumann, of Chicago, graced the "joy plaza" with their presence. Joe Wolfe, formerly manager of the Odeon Theater in Savannah, who is now a "poor" (bloated) bondholder, also visited and brought out \$100,000 in bonds for his special friends to look at.

Roy Gill returned from Chicago and brought Mrs. Gill, who has been very ill, with him. She will continue the journey to Miami, Fla. Mrs. Herman Rensler, who has been on an extended visit to New York and Chicago, has returned.

Hody Hurd leaves this week for a visit to her Tampa home. "Aunt Lou" Blitz leaves for Chicago Sunday.

Without presuming to know the "whence from where they came," it looks to a layman as tho about every concessioner in the country has arrived at the Savannah Exposition. Bishop Turner passed thru Savannah with five automobiles, purchased at Detroit, and which he'll use as tourist cars at St. Petersburg the coming season. "Cannon Ball" Bell, who, with Max Kimmerer, recently purchased the motordrome, reports big business. Mlle. Esmeralda has joined his attraction as principal auto and motor rider. Helen Sunshine and Beatrice Westcott are recent additions to Etta Louise Blake's Superba.

Handsome "Bobby" Burns Murray, one of the greatest midway attractions as a talker that the writer has ever seen and a producer par excellence, accompanied by her husband, Geo. T. McCarthy, were recent welcome visitors.—ED. R. SALTER.

GLOTH GREATER SHOWS
In Winter Quarters at Pittsburg

According to word from Pittsburg, where the Glotch Greater Shows are in winter quarters, Manager Robert Glotch is planning a 15-car organization for next season. An order is said to have been placed for six new wagons. According to the proposed expansion, there will be added four more flat cars, one Pullman, one privilege car and a box or baggage car.

In all, the show is expected to carry twelve paid attractions and quite a number of concessions. Among the contemplated riding features are an Eli wheel, whip, carousel and a modern novelty.

As soon as preliminary matters are worked out in the "Smoky City" Manager Glotch, it is said, will visit Chicago and Louisville in quest of new cars and new tops.

The season of 1920 is declared to have culminated successfully with the engagement at the 18th Infantry Drill Grounds, Pittsburg, on November 1, in which city the show was "put up" at 1021 E. Ohio street, headquarters being maintained with offices at 514 Fourth avenue.

Of the members "Up High" Billy Klein departed for Tampa, Fla., to put in the winter; Mike Gelfand and Heiman Burnstein went to New York; Joseph Glotch hid himself to Massachusetts; Assistant Manager Billy Fox journeyed to Birmingham, Ala.; General Representative Lou Padoff jumped to Erie, Pa., and Special Agent Ira Maddox headed for St. Louis. Floyd Woolsey, manager of "Wonderland," figures on opening a large museum in Pittsburg, and later in New York. Frank Yeoman and his troupe of fancy ice skaters propose exhibiting their skill at the Duquesne Garden Ice Rink, Pittsburg, until spring, while Grace Elliot and Silver Belle have their minds set on vaudeville. Steve Passas will fill wrestling dates in Smoketown.

JULES LARVETT IN PORTO RICO

Jules Larvett sailed from New York for San Juan Sunday, November 14, to arrange for the final details of the big fair that will open February 5 for eight weeks. He has already arranged for a number of big attractions, and on his return to New York, December 1, he will arrange for a number of other amusements. Mr. Larvett had charge of the big American Red Cross Regional Fair in San Juan last May. Arrangements have been made with the Porto Rico Steamship Co. for reservations for the company to sail January 23 on the steamer Coamo.

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New York, Nov. 13.—Charles H. Beadles, well-known concessioner, was taken ill a week ago yesterday and is now confined to his home in this city with double pneumonia.

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CARNIVAL CARAVANS

By ALI BABA

Billy Wagoner writes that he is located in Akron, O., for the winter. Says he will be back on the lots next season.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor I. Neils, of the Canadian Victory Shows, recently paid their first visit of the season to New York and "Ol' Broadway."

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Andrews, entertainers with magic, illusions, escapes and telepathy, are spending a few weeks visiting in Hot Springs, Ark.

Beatrice LaDuke recently finished a very successful tour of Kansas fairs with her balloon ascensions as a free attraction. She has a few late fairs in Louisiana, then to California for the winter months.

John (Jack) Richardson and wife, Harriett, are spending the winter in Louisville, Ky. Jack is well known around the circuses as "Elephant Jack," but the past three years they have been in the carnival game.

G. W. Strobel and wife, concessioners, finished their 1920 trouping at Blue Mound, Ill., and immediately prepared to motor to the home of Mrs. Strobel in Kansas. They will later go into St. Louis for the winter.

Corlaine Wilson (Mrs. Harry W. Wright, of carnival fame) sang the leading prima donna role in Iron & Clamage's "Sandal Town," at the Columbia burlesque theater, New York, week November 1. Her success was emphatic.

J. J. Boxwell, sign writer, passed thru Cincinnati one day last week en route South. He

is now connected with the H. W. Campbell United Shows, doing press and working on the front of the Wild Animal Circus. He still sings with the band, and is quite popular with that caravan.

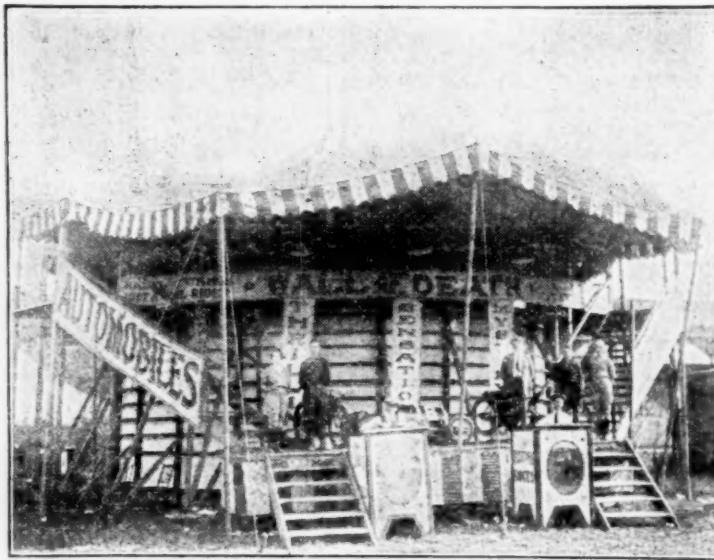
There will be no lack of cutting up dough in Cincy this winter. With a number of the caravans wintering nearer the Mason and Dixon line than usual as well as many Bedouins deciding to not winter South the influx of caravans into the Queen City is heavier than for several years, and, by heck, there's more comin'.

Commenting on the unrestfulness of the cotton situation in the South William A. Happ, the energetic young press representative with "Capt. John," opines that times of "suspense" are really worse than so-called "hard times"—in "hard times" people usually limit their expenditures, while in times of "suspense" they eliminate them, sezze.

Frank and Etta Endland, of "Tivetta" (snake) show fame, report closing a very successful season with the Northwestern Shows at Inlay City, Mich., and started playing independent celebrations on their way South. Their first stop was at Lagraunge, Ind., to good results, and this was followed by Goshen, where they had another promising date.

Polack Bros.' 20 Big and World at Home Shows to be combined into one big organization next season. This should prove a mammoth amusement enterprise, also the materialization into a reality what Ali has oftentimes thought to be the goal of Irving J. Polack—that of controlling one of the very biggest caravans on the road, which is to his undisputable credit.

WATKINS' WALL OF DEATH



This was one of the big attractions with the World at Home Shows, 1920 being its fifth year with the Polack enterprises. In the picture, left to right, are: Mrs. I. J. Watkins and I. J. Watkins, riders; A. H. Terrill, talker; Barney Page and Gladys Brennan, riders; Jack Walsh and Mike Wheat, tickets.

opened last spring with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, later went to the Greater Sheepsley Shows and also was with the H. W. Campbell United.

William Kelley, late electrician with the Johnny Ward Shows, writes from Holdenville, Ark., that he and his bride have decided to spend the winter there. Kelley says he and the Missus will sure be with the caravans again in the spring.

Roy Ellwood, the novelty ventriloquist and inside lecturer, late of Miller Bros.' Circus Exposition, is making Cincinnati his headquarters for a short time. He and his wife contemplate joining the main side-show with one of the big circuses next season.

It now looms up on the carnival horizon that there will be numerous changes on organizations, as pertains to ownerships, policies, make-up and other important features. It is also predicted that there will be more of the larger caravans in the field next season.

While en route West Sam Anderson, of the California Shows, placed his order for five wagons for the "whip." Reports also have it that H. F. Hall purchased three flat cars and a sleeper and shipped them to the shows' winter quarters at Brattleboro, Vt.

Frank (Shirt Front) Turley has been working for the Keith house in Louisville, Ky., and his advertising in rubie makeup continues to go over nicely. Incidentally Frank was also working—advertising—at the race track there and was quite lucky, he picking three winners in one day.

W. J. Carter states that he has closed his little auto show and has returned to "dear old Chi." for a rest. He is thinking of enlarging his outfit for next season. His wife and baby will spend a few months at the winter home of Mrs. Carter's father and mother in Eustis, Fla.

Ted Custer, formerly of the Mighty Doris Shows and the former Great Southern Shows,

Dickie LaZell has closed his athletic show. He is settled for the winter in a cozy apartment house in Fort Worth and tells the folks he had the best season ever. By the way, should you have an opportunity ask Dickie why he paid off the "outside" man twice at some stand in Oklahoma—keep your eye open, the Dickie packs a nasty wallop in that right mitt.

Taylor (Buck) Reed and wife closed the season for their concessions with the M. C. Taggart Shows at Winchester, Ky., a few weeks ago, and jumped to the fair at Orange, Va., but did not put up. From there they went to take in the government buildings and visit friends at Washington, D. C., after which they pulled out for Baltimore for an indefinite stay.

Capt. George Bray, of Richmond, Cal., says that Jerry Joe, with the Foley & Burke Shows, is the fattest man alive. According to the report a Joe weighs 602 pounds and is 4 feet, 10 inches around the thighs. His abdomen measures 7 feet, 10 inches, and his waist extends 6 feet. He is 5 feet, 11 inches in height and is 46 years of age. Some specimen, I'll say.

From Texarkana, Ark., Ollie Olson, the little hard-headed scrapper and go-get-'em grappler, writes that he has been with Harry Billick's Gold Medal Shows since closing with Sheepsley at Belleville, Ontario. Ollie says that Sheik Billick is taking a gilly show out of Texarkana, consisting of a 10-in. minstrel and athletic show, and fifteen concessions, to play the smaller towns in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Mrs. A. T. Lrie writes from Toledo, O., that she is in the Toledo Hospital, suffering from heavy trouble. She was in another institution a while, and after being discharged went home, but grew steadily worse and was sent to the Toledo Hospital. She states present indications are that she is in for a long siege and would greatly appreciate letters from her showfolk friends to while away the moments.

Rudace Wino, press representative of the T. A. Wolfe enterprises, was in Cincinnati all of last week, placing advertising for the big spe-

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cial Christmas number of The Billboard and taking care of special business for Mr. Wolfe. Sydney made hay while in the Queen City and prepared a new set of press matter for Dave Marion's new show, "Snappy Snaps," which opened at the Olympic Theater, Cincinnati, Sunday, November 7.

Concessioner Howard Scott, of Nashville, Tenn., formerly with Veal Bros., Shows and other organizations, received a verdict in his favor to the amount of \$15,000 for alleged personal injuries filed against the Indiana Traction Company. In the suit Mr. Scott claimed he was permanently injured about two years ago between Anderson and Mounds Park on the company's lines. Mrs. (Lucile) Scott, it is understood, also has a suit against the same company for \$10,000 which will be tried in Kokomo, Ind., in the near future.

"Scotty," the brave military man of Gordon Highlander renown, has been receiving numerous letters which obviously are from some sweetheart of his, but which sweetheart Scotty steadfastly refuses to divulge. However, several of the troupers on "Capt. John's" caravan aver they heard Scotty mention the name of "May" in his sleep. May was a young lady who loved to play jokes. She is well remembered by many of the troupers on the same "Capt. John's" caravan, most of whom deprecate Scotty's return to the city of Huntsville lest May scare him to death.

The well-known owner and manager of the Ruppel Greater Shows was presented with a beautiful diamond Elks' button by the concessioners of his show and the committee of the St. Lucy's Union Club at Newark, N. J., on the night of the closing date there. It was a feather in "Andy's" cap to have been able to hold a carnival show in the city under such favorable auspices, as it is said shows have been barred from the streets in that city for some time. The show is now at its winter quarters, 1123 Leopard street, Philadelphia.

From Dallas, Tex., comes the news that during the State Fair there Harry James and Frank Tolver, concession workers for Ike Katz, and formerly of the Tom W. Allen Shows, decided they had tramped in "single blessedness" to the limit of their desires when they became enraptured with two very pretty maids of Dallas. The boys prevailed upon Libby Cain, known to most caravanites, to do the honors, and with the result that two blushing brides and two mighty proud bridegrooms were the contracting parties in a double wedding ceremony, with Miss Cain as "double bridesmaid."

Harold Brunner, trainer, and Messrs. Chisler and McKinley, Brunner's assistants, were in Olathe, Kan., with the James Patterson herd of elephants, to take part in a "G. O. P." rally that night. The editor of the local (Republican) paper, the county chairman and one of the candidates were to ride the elephants in a big parade to be given. Dame Rumor has it that the local editor was somewhat skeptical as to the "gentleness" of his pachyderm mount-to-be and when he saw the big beasts inquired of the trainer how much meat each of them devoured daily. Word was if the local meat markets were suddenly and completely sold out (to one individual) on that particular day?

One's well-intended and logical tips, gathered from stated and published facts, received at a central vantage point—the neither just nor fair policy to publish or republish in detail—are often hooted at, even discredited, by the unknowing ones, and minimized or discredited by those who do know, for their personal gain. However, several circumstances have arisen, as predicted, this late summer and fall that have proven conclusively to those who did not have correct information—and laughed at those who had—that there was solid foundation for the deductions. Let us sincerely hope that experience will be material aid in readjustments and co-operation against what might be "combined opposition."

While playing Madisonville, Ky., week of October 20, the Lorman-Robinson Shows received the following telegram (Western Union "day letter"), according to copy from "County Fair Association, Inc., Miss.": "Let shows, rides, concessions in free. Bonus, hundred dollars besides. Legitimate concessions work o k here. Aeroplane flights daily. Car race. Horses. Book you good fair race meet, La., November. Must know today. Wire or phone. Give you control midway and choice of free grounds. Well advertised." According to copy, the Lorman-Robinson Shows' answer to the above was as follows: "Can't consider your proposition until show men are afforded more consideration in your State."

Showfolks should at all times keep in touch with the homefolks. C. B. Drake, late of the Eureka Attractions, calls our attention to this and offers his present sorrow as a fitting cause for so doing. Mr. Drake's home is in Charleston, Ill. He has been working in various other sections of the Central States and says he kept putting off from day to day the writing of a letter home, and not until he passed thru Cincinnati, November 11, when he stopped at The Billboard office en route South, and received a

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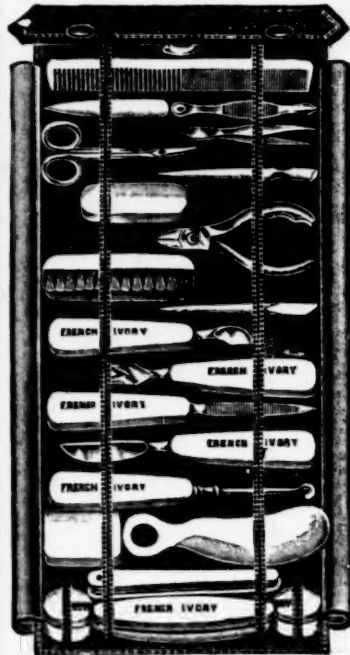
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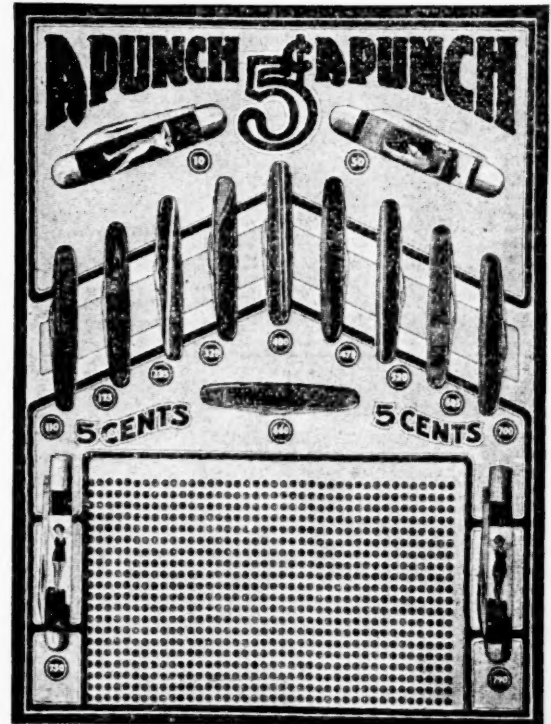
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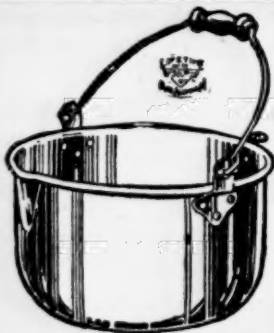
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letter was he informed that his mother had passed away several weeks previous. He immediately changed his plans and returned home, and on departing asked All to call the attention of troupers to his own case and the importance of keeping up correspondence with the "folks at home."

Often the question is asked, when referring to those who own concessions, as to whether it should be "concessionaire" or "concessioner." We know of no particular ruling on the matter, but the former is usually intended to apply to those who manage or own various attractions, including shows, rides, concessions, etc., in parks, at fairs, on carnivals or otherwise, while the latter (concessioner) makes a distinction

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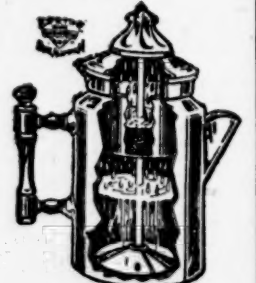
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Carnival Caravans

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James B. (Dutch) Miller, Letterman, General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, Cal., writes as follows: "Dear All Baba—This is the first chance to say a word to the many friends that were so good to me while in the hospital, where I have undergone an operation for an old wound which was received during the war. I had quite a few from the fair at Sacramento to see me, including Mr. Babcock and others from his caravan, and take this opportunity to thank them for the favors they have done. Also wish to send my regards to the Lorman-Robinson Shows, which I was with just before going to the hospital. I was sent from Philadelphia to San Francisco and have been out of the way of most of the shows, but the newsboy was most obliging and usually had a Billy-boy for me every Saturday. I will leave here in a week for the South, where I expect to join one of the winter caravans. I send my best to Chas. Stratton, of the Lorman-Robinson Shows, and am sorry I did not fulfill my contract before getting sick."

Gene R. Milton, the well-known circus side-show man, and James (Jimmy) Golden, special agent, comprised a duo of Bedouins from T. A. Wolfe's Superior Shows who blew into Cincy last week from Louisville, Ky., where the shows closed their season and went into winter quarters. Gene, with a few stops en route, was on his way to New York. He may go out ahead of a theatrical road show, while Jimmie—well, he just said to tell the folks they can have all the trouping for him at present, as he was leaving the same night for Cleveland, where he will have his feet under "mother's table" for the who-o-o-le winter. Both highly praised Mr. Wolfe's caravan.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom J. Davenport, who closed with the Nat Reiss Shows in Laurel, Miss., were recent visitors to The Billboard in Cincinnati. Mrs. Davenport operated concessions for Velare Brothers, while Tom talked on the Atlantic Show, and later took charge of the "Whip" on the Reiss caravan. Tom J. stated that they were taking a much needed rest, as he has been working two solid years without a lasso, or not being on the payroll with that organization. Incidentally, Davenport said he would be seen next season without that "famona" motorbike and sidecar which attracted notice of the bunch so strongly, as he sold the outfit in Laurel—but he "fessed up" that he misses it as much as the Missus.

The Stralerys, J. A. (Dad) and the Missus, suddenly changed their minds down in Florida last week, and instead of jumping into Tampa purchased two long ducats and accompanying slips of paper which entitled them to a room in "Mr. Pullman's hotel on wheels," and they rambled into "Ol' Cincy," where they secured a dandy steam-heated flat, elevator service 'n' everything for the winter (supposedly). On returning home on Wednesday night they were held up in front of the apartment house by two highwaymen—and at 3 a.m., the same night, they were moving to other quarters. Commenting on the incident Thursday James A. said a white man held a big "smoke wagon" a few inches from his cranium, while a "son of Ham" and Mrs. Stralery did a catch-as-catch-can stunt for the latter's hand purse. Dad said that under the circumstances he could do nothing but refer the proceedings, altho with no noticeable action on his part. He finally rendered a (diplomatic) decision, however, by telling Mrs. Stralery to give the negro the purse, which she did, and the "show" was over. The said purse contained but a torn dollar bill and about twenty cents in change, as they had deposited their h. r. in a bank during the day. Yep, every daily in town carried a story on it.

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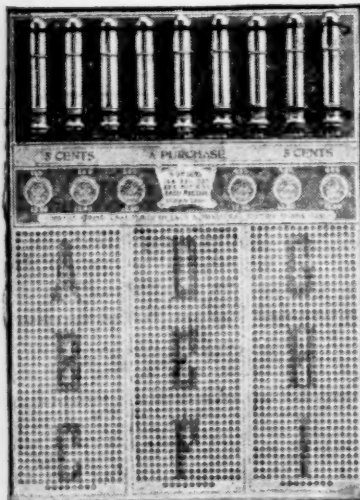
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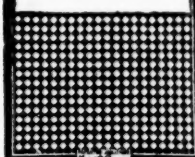
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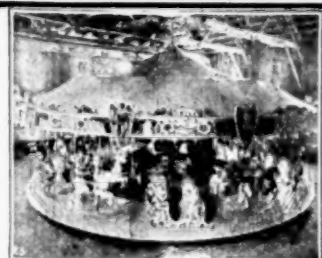
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Work on the "Junior Orpheum" Theater at Golden Gate avenue and Market street is now well under way, the design by Architect Albert Lansburgh and the contract for \$1,000,000 having been approved by Martin Beck while in this city recently.

The theater, which is to be named the "Golden Gate," will have a seating capacity of 3,000, and will be equipped with every modern convenience, both for actor and audience.

An innovation which will be installed is the closed fire escape. This new safety device eliminates the unsightly outside fire escapes usually seen on theaters, and is said to be the latest word in modern theater construction.

Another feature of the theater will be a spacious children's playground, reached directly by a commodious elevator, which will serve the different levels of the balcony in the theater.

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Harry Low, well-known concessioner with Levitt & Huggins' Allied Shows, was the host at the close of the Greek Festival here to a number of showmen and Coast defenders at an elaborate banquet. The affair was in the nature of a Thanksgiving dinner, and also more than two weeks in advance of the big day was replete with turkey and all the Thanksgiving trimmings.

Among those who graced the festive board were Sam C. Haller, Victor D. Levitt, Spike Huggins, Judge J. L. Karnes, George Robinson, Bo Callicut, Noel Willey, Ed Carpenter, Charles Geggus and Murray Penneck, of Al G. Barnes' Circus.

Lady Nelson and Baby Cecil, the latter the youngest mind-reader in the business, have left Johnny Bejano's Palace of Wonders with Wortham's World's Greatest Shows, and have come West to go into vaudeville. They were visitors at The Billboard office during the week and outlined their plans for the future. Baby Cecil has received many offers from vaudeville circuits and their act promises to make good in the two-a-day field. Following a brief visit in this city they will leave for Los Angeles to sign their vaudeville contract. Lady Nelson says that Wortham's World's Greatest have experienced a wonderful season, but declares that the best business of all was at the Dallas State Fair, where the crowds were literally turned away.

Gerald Dillon, for years press agent for the Orpheum, has joined the Ackerman & Harris forces, and took charge of the publicity work at Loew's State Theater in Oakland, beginning November 4.

Dillon is one of the best-known theatrical press agents in the United States, and is universally popular among theatrical and newspaper folk. He brings with him to the State Theater a wealth of experience in his line, and is a decided acquisition to the house.

Theodore Bendix, composer and conductor of international reputation, assumed the musical direction at the Alcazar Theater Sunday, November 7. Until recently Bendix has been director of the Hudson, Harris, Cort and other leading New York theaters, and his acquisition by the Alcazar is looked upon with joy by the patrons of the popular O'Farrell street house.

News comes here that the Western Show Properties Company, of Kansas City, Mo., is soon to open a branch office in this city. President E. B. Gault is now in Los Angeles, and is soon to come to San Francisco to personally supervise the installation of the office here. The company handles everything in the show business—new or old, as well as exclusive feature films.

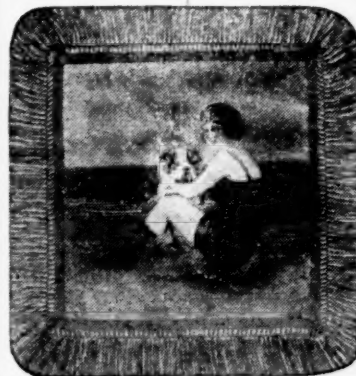
Low Taylor, well known in vaudeville, has just completed a 30-week engagement on a motion picture serial in Los Angeles, with William Duncan, and is now in this city, planning to go back on the vaudeville stage. Taylor was a visitor at The Billboard office during the week, and expressed his delight at being back in San Francisco again.

During the week The Billboard was honored by a visit from Dr. Samri S. Baldwin, the original "White Mahatma," who dropped in for a chat about the show business and to send his regards to his many friends throughout the United States thru the columns of The Billboard.

The doctor is looking the picture of health and is contemplating going on the road again in the near future.

Sam Brown's World's Greater Amusement Company has purchased the 17-car train and equipment of the Bernardi Shows and, according to reports reaching here, is playing to big business in Arizona. The shows will enter

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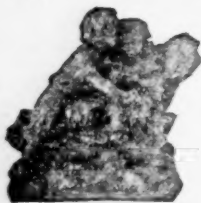
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HARRY BUDDIE, advance representative for Ralph Dunbar's revival of "The Mikado," came up to the office Saturday, November 6, and made us a very enjoyable visit. Mr. Buddie was formerly connected with the Billboard in Cincinnati in an editorial capacity, and is a very interesting talker. He said his company had made the jump from Cincy into Texas territory and had been playing one-night stands for the last three weeks, coming into K. C. from McAlester, Ok., for the week of November 14 here at the Grand Opera House. Mr. Buddie also said that business had been very good during this time. Some of the principal people connected with this show are: Carl Stahl, basso; Ralph Brainerd, tenor and leading man, with H. S. Abbott, tenor, alternating; Patricia Baker, soprano; Ann McCaskin and Mary Lambert, "the two other little maids"; and not least by any means, Ed Andrews, "the grand old man of opera."

LUCILE WELLINGTON was also a visitor last week. Mrs. Wellington said her husband, Arthur Wellington, was ill with typhoid fever at St. Joseph's Hospital in this city, and had been there for the past three weeks. While he is now on the road to recovery, it is impossible to say when he will be able to leave the institution. He would like to have his friends write him. Mr. and Mrs. Wellington were with the Dubinsky enterprises all summer, closing the early part of October to go with Henry Brunk's Comedians No. 6. Mrs. Wellington, a very capable general business woman, is now negotiating for an engagement in permanent stock.

C. F. (DOC) ZEIGER writes us as follows from Fairview Kan.: "I note in your K. C. column (issue November 6) reader to the effect that John Sandy has bought my interest in the John Sandy Show. It is just the reverse. I have taken over the interest of Mr. Sandy. I will

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again send the show out as I did last season, a two-car carnival. I will advise you later who I shall choose as manager for it, as I am going to send out my C. F. Zeiger United Shows and it will require all of my attention. Hoping you will change the error, yours, etc." Many thanks, Doc, for the correction. This was the way we got it.

W. FRANK DELMAINE AND RUTH H. DELMAINE, his wife, have made us the recipients of two fine picture "postals" of themselves, and we appreciate their favoring us. Mr. and Mrs. Delmaine are traveling representatives of "Equity" and "Chorus Equity Association" and spent two weeks here in the interest of these organizations, leaving November 8 for Joplin, Mo., and from there South for the winter. Both very much pleased with their luck here.

FRED ROBERTS came into K. C. November 5, after finishing up a very successful summer with North Brothers, and is at the Gladstone Hotel here. He will remain in the city probably a week, or until such time as he definitely determines what he will do this winter.

ED. S. GILPIN, agent, and Harry E. Willard, manager of "Young America," were two very welcome visitors to this office November 5. This is a very clever dramatic show which was organized here about November 1 and intends to play all winter in Kansas and Nebraska. They said they "just dropped in to pay their respects."

E. B. GRURS, proprietor of the Western Show Properties Company, has been very fortunate in securing the services of Al Myers, well-known amusement maker and designer, for his big factory, where will be turned out this winter anything and everything in the way of new and favorite amusement devices. The San Francisco branch of the Western Show Properties Company is expected to be ready by December 1.

MR. AND MRS. O. T. MOATES left K. C. November 3 to join the Harry Billingsley Shows in Western Kansas. We reported that these two able performers would be with the Bybee Stock Company in our column of the issue of November 13. Mr. and Mrs. Moates have been in K. C. since October 27, and enjoyed a well earned rest after a "strenuous summer."

CHARLES BARNES closed with Brunk's Comedians No. 4 at Atchison, Kansas, and has been in K. C. since the latter part of October.

HARRY Z. AUSTIN and wife came into the office November 8 to say "hello-goodbye," as they came into this city from Henryetta, Ok., to go to Joplin, Mo., to reorganize the Ender "Baby Vampire Girls" there. Mr. Austin

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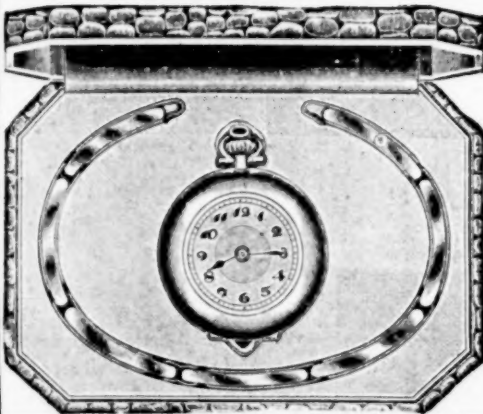
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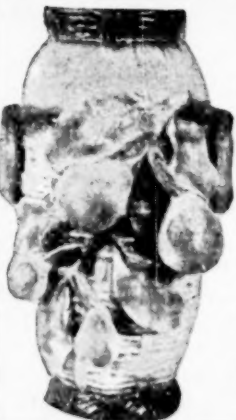
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states they have had a very good season with this neat little show and with the reorganization hope for "even better."

MR. AND MRS. FRED BRUNK are in K. C. for a short visit. Mr. Brunk stated he had not decided as yet what his plans will be for the coming winter.

RILEY MYERS, with Fred Brunk's Comedians No. 2, closed October 27 in Chetopa, Kan., and came into K. C. the first of November "to look around." Here's luck, Riley.

FRED EADER, treasurer of the Century Theater, a position he has held ably for fourteen years, is the owner of Eader's "Baby Vampire Girls." Mr. Eader is also busy framing a minstrel show, which he stated to a Billboard representative would have some 35 colored performers.

WE ARE INDEBTED to the Progressive Dramatic Club of Kansas City for a ticket to its concert and ball, given Sunday evening, November 7, at the Little Theater, 3212 Troost ave. We regretted very much that we couldn't attend, but understand it was a very successful affair, in fact so much so that there will probably be others given this winter. Max Medow, well-known general business man, presented us with the invitation and we thank him. Come in and see us, Max.

LEO SNYDER'S JUVENILE REVUE, an Orpheum Time act, has been rehearsing here with the following cast: Lucile Williams, soubrette; Wenonah Furgy, prima donna; Bert Dexter, straight; Irene Nelson and Thea Enger, general business women, and Tom Powell, representative of the act. Mr. Snyder was former stage director for Gus Edwards' Revue.

MARSHALL BORDER-GORDON, theatrical enterprises, located Suite 101-2-3-4-5 at number 1118 McGee street, adjoining the Empress Theater, have three of the largest private rehearsal halls in Kansas City. One is 35x90, another 20x70 and the studio 20x50, and here are Victrolas. This firm is headquarters for Equity performers and writes Equity contracts. Their reception and waiting room is a typical "green room" and here are easy chairs, books, magazines, electric piano and "all the comforts of the theatrical world."

WITHIN a year we will have another New Orpheum Theater. The ground has been excavated for the new Main Theater (the new Orpheum house) at Fourteenth and Main streets, and it is stated that the contracts will be let shortly and actual construction begun. This will be the largest and handsomest vaudeville theater in the Southwest. Just what the policy of the two Orpheum houses here will be has not been decided.

FRED GEORGE, who has been connected with all the orchestras of the leading K. C. theaters, came into the office last week to announce that after November 22 he would be connected with the Temple Theater, Syracuse, N. Y. Mr. George is an expert trumpet player.

MILLARD TURNER, "The Handless Wonder," was a caller at the office November 9 on his return home, for such he calls Kansas City, as his folks live here and he also owns property in this city. Mr. Turner closed with the Sheesley Shows October 30 and made a short sojourn in Jacksonville, Fla., and then came into K. C. He plans to stay here until after Christmas. It is marvelous to see Mr. Turner do things that one ordinarily thinks beyond a cripple. He demonstrated his ability to do without hands and leg to the crippled soldiers at the Base Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., and all voted him a marvel.

ALL-AMERICAN SHOWS

Bauxite, Ark., Nov. 11.—J. R. Freeman and Kirk Allen have again combined, after separating in July to play their string of fairs. The partnership is the same as before and the shows retain the same title, the All-American Shows.

The lineup consists of six shows, two rides and thirty-five concessions, and moves in six cars. The new roster follows: Allen's Minstrels, Vandeville Show and "Cabaret," Cooke's 10-in-1, Freeman's Athletic Show, Dad Benson's "Nero" freak show, Freeman's Parker carry-us-all, Hat Benson's ferris wheel, Mitchell, with one concession (cookhouse); Red Harrigan, with two; Ches Cornell, three; Bepson, two; Joe Lucca, two; V. O. Haskells, three; Allen, twelve; Freeman, eight. The staff: Kirk Allen, general manager, secretary and treasurer; J. R. Freeman, general agent; D. M. Broadwell, legal adviser; S. Coulet, trainmaster; Frank Crotty, electrician.

Mr. Allen has purchased two stateroom cars and is going to buy six flats and four box cars in the near future.

This week the shows are having one of the best weeks of the season here, under the auspices of the American Bauxite Co. Mrs. Allen has resigned as secretary, but is still with the shows with a mitt camp.—HARRY COOKE.

SAN FRANCISCO

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California shortly by way of the Imperial Valley.

Connor O'Donnell, who has just completed a long engagement on Keith Time, is now in San Francisco, and dropped into The Billboard office to say howdy the other day. O'Donnell played two weeks at the Palace Theater, New York.

W. J. ("Billy") Raymond, recently with the Greater Sheesley Shows, has joined R. F. Taylor, who is starting a new stock company, as advance man. Ollie Cameron, formerly with the Vaughn-Glaser Stock Company, of Los Angeles, has also joined Taylor as character woman.

Have you looked thru the Letter List in this issue? There may be a letter advertised for you.

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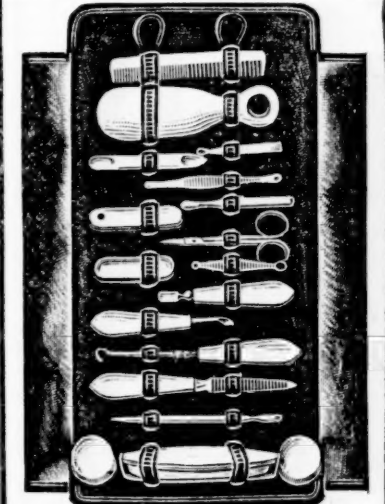
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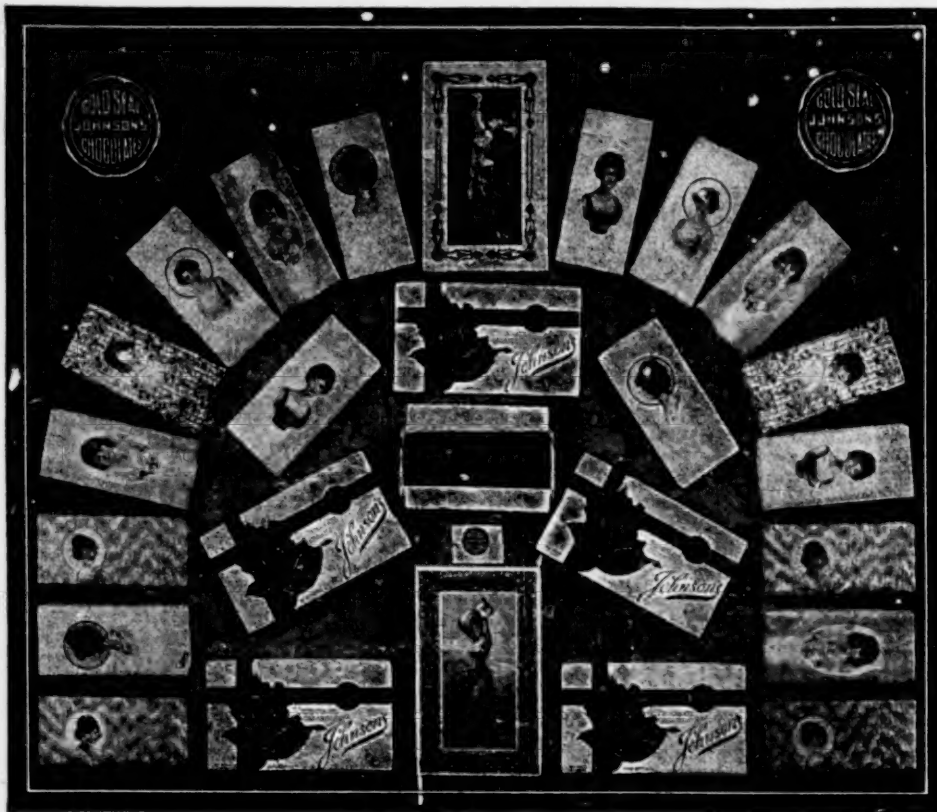
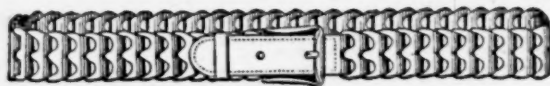
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ning of Fight for Reason-
able Rates**In view of the importance of the fight for
reasonable railroad rates that is being made by
COMA the full text of the complaint of COMA
to the Interstate Commerce Commission is given
herewith:**BEFORE THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE
COMMISSION**
COMA, Plaintiff, vs. St. Louis & San Francisco
Railroad Company; Missouri, Kansas & Texas
Railway Company, and Chicago, Rock Island
& Pacific Railway Company, Defendants.
COMPLAINTThe complainant in the above case respectfully
states:I.
That the complainant is a voluntary association
composed of natural persons, co-partnerships
and corporations engaged in the business of
conducting shows, theatrical performances, cir-
cuses, carnivals, and amusements for State and
county fairs, cities, communities, and the gen-
eral public; that said shows, circuses, carnivals
and exhibitions exhibit performances in all prin-
cipal cities and communities of the United
States, and that said shows involved herein are
transported from place to place upon the rail-
roads of the defendants in cars owned by the
respective members of said association.II.
That the above named defendants are common
carriers engaged in the transportation of pas-
sengers and property, wholly by rail, between
all interstate points on their respective roads,
and as such common carriers are subject to the
provisions of the Act to Regulate Commerce
approved February 4, 1887, and acts amendatory
thereof or supplementary thereto, including the
Transportation Act of 1920.III.
That the various members of the complainant
own and operate approximately eighty shows
which are transported from one State to another
on the respective lines of the defendants in cars,
both freight and passenger, owned and equipped
by the respective members of the complainant;
that the total number of cars owned and used in
the show and theatrical business by various
members of the complainant is more than two
thousand; that the investment of complainant
in show equipment, including cars, is more than
twenty million dollars.Complainant further states that said shows
have been transported at reasonable rates by the
carrier for more than forty years past. The
complainant's investment and business has been
built up by reason of the fact that carriers have,
heretofore, transported all show equipment and
cars at reasonable rates, and at reasonable
times, and on special trains, and that by reason
thereof there is an insistent and urgent demand
by fair associations, both county and State, and
other civic organizations and public gatherings
for shows, circuses, exhibitions, carnivals etc.,
and that said business has become a public ne-
cessity in connection with State and county
fairs.IV.
Complainant further states that prior to
Federal control of railroads there was no gen-**PEERLESS
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eral uniform practice, contract or rate for the
transportation of shows, etc., and each carrier
made its own rates and contracts. All contracts
were of the same general import, but the rates
varied; some carriers had a uniform rate ap-
plicable to all shows transported over its lines,
while other carriers would make different rates
during the same season for the same service to
different shippers.That during Federal control the Director Gen-
eral promulgated a uniform rate and regula-
tions to be applied by all carriers under Federal
control. Said rates were filed with the Inter-
state Commerce Commission and tariffs were
issued by reason thereof under authority of Title
63 of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Tarif
Circular No. 18-a.V.
Complainant further states that the rate es-
tablished by the Director General for the trans-
portation of shows, circuses, carnivals, exhibi-
tions, etc., by freight, was in effect on the lines
of the defendants on February 29, 1920; that
Section 208 (208-a) of the Transportation Act of
1920 is, in part, as follows:"All rates, fares, and charges, and all clas-
sifications, regulations, and practices, in any
wise changing, affecting or determining, any
part of the aggregate of rates, fares, or charges,
or the value of the service rendered, which on
February 29, 1920, are in effect on the lines of
carriers subject to the Interstate Commerce Act,
shall continue in force and effect until there-
after changed by State or Federal authority,
respectively, or pursuant to authority of law."That the defendants herein increased the rates
applicable on their respective lines for interstate
movements of shows, circuses, carnivals, ex-
hibitions, etc., in violation of the above pro-
vision of the Transportation Act of 1920, and
without authority of the Interstate Commerce
Commission, and without authority of law.VI.
Complainant further states that the rates
actually charged and sought to be charged are
greatly in excess of the rates prescribed by the
Director General, plus thirty-five per cent, and
which were in effect on February 29, 1920, and
that said rates are unreasonable, unjust and
discriminatory, and in many instances ab-
solutely prohibitive. By reason thereof many
shows have been unable to move, and fair asso-
ciations have canceled fairs.Complainant further states that more than
forty of the principal railroads of the United
States are now operating and carrying shows
and carnivals under the rate fixed by the Di-
rector General, plus thirty-five per cent, among
which is the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe
Railroad, operating, in part, thru the same gen-
eral territory thru which the defendants' lines
operate.VII.
Complainant further states that this com-
plaint is filed against the three defendants
herein because the same reasons and rate con-
ditions exist as to each, and the same viola-
tion of the Transportation Act of 1920, and
not for the purpose of asking for joint rates
or joint transportation service.Wherefore the complainant prays that the
defendants, and each of them, may be required
to answer the charges herein, and after due
hearing and investigation an order be made
commanding each defendant to cease and desist
from the aforesaid violation of the Act to
Regulate Commerce and the Transportation Act
of 1920, and that said defendants, and each of
them, be required to carry all shows, circuses,
carnivals, amusements, etc., in cars owned by
the shippers upon the same rate prescribed by
the Director General during Federal control
and which was in effect on February 29, 1920,
plus thirty-five per cent.That the defendants, and each of them, be
commanded to pay to the members of the com-
plainant, by way of reparation for the unlaw-
ful charges herein alleged, such sum as may
be shown to have been collected in excess of

Krause Greater Shows

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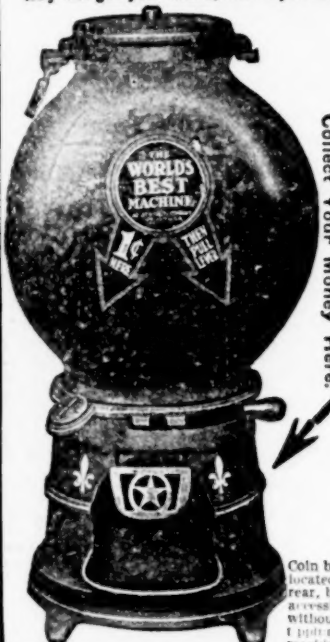
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the rates in force and effect on February 29, 1920, plus thirty-five per cent.

That the commission shall determine what all the respective members of complainant are entitled to, as an award of damages under the provisions of the Act to Regulate Commerce, and for such other and further order as may to the Commission seem meet and proper.

COMA,
By Geo. A. Henshaw,
A. Carey Hough,
Its Attorneys.

403 Colcord Building, Oklahoma City, Okla.

The fight has just begun, and it will cost a plenty before it is finished. If COMA wins it means that every show that was overcharged the past summer will get back all that was paid in excess, no matter on what railroad.

MARTINEY & HOLZAFEL CLOSE

Acme Indoor Amusement Company Organized

Irvine, Ky., Nov. 11.—The Martiney & Holzafel Shows closed their season at Mt. Sterling, Ky., on Saturday, November 6, because of the conditions that now confront the showman in the South. The rides were stored at the Mt. Sterling fair grounds, together with other paraphernalia.

Messrs. F. J. Fox, O. B. Grabbe and Fred C. Harris have organized a sort of indoor carnival, which looks like a winner. It will be called the Acme Indoor Amusement Co. and will carry a Minstrel Show and "Cabaret," and a 40x100-foot top, in which will be placed concessions. All tents will practically be one enclosure, according to plans, and will be heated. The entire outfit is to be carried in one car, and the coal fields of Kentucky and West Virginia will be played. Otto Grabbe is manager of the organization, with Fred Harris doing the routing and booking.—F. C. H.

BARNETT & SCHUTZ SHOWS

R. E. Barnett and Ed Schutz, well-known concessioners with the Roy Gray Shows, Mighty Doris Exposition Shows and the J. T. McClellan Shows, recently purchased the Big Ell wheel and the two-abreast Allan Herschell carousel from the McClellan Shows, and have organized their own company, known as the Barnett & Schutz Greater Shows. The caravan carries five shows, two rides and a string of concessions, consisting of kewpie dolls, glass stands, candy wheel, watch-la, ball games, etc., and is doing good business in Oklahoma, which State will be played until after Christmas.

The show will close for eight weeks following the holidays, during which time preparations will be made for the enlarging and improving of the organization for season 1921.—BARNEY.

FRIEDMAN UNITED SHOWS

Decherd, Tenn., Nov. 11.—The Friedman United Shows landed here Monday morning for a week's engagement, and despite the rather cold weather at this writing prospects point to good results. Cowan, Tenn., follows this stand, then Bellbuckle.

The lineup of attractions comprises the Old Plantation, with fifteen people; Fernam Tapp, producer; Jimmy Rossiter, talker; "Cabaret," Vaudeville Show, Doc Bell, manager; Athletic Show, "Young" Miller, manager; Snake and Alligator Show, S. J. Rossiter, manager; War Museum, Dick Friedman, owner and manager. Among the concessions Dock Friedman has two; Cecil Rice, two; Homer Jones, one; Joe Morgan, two; Grace Friedman, two; Jimmie Rossiter, one; Bill Howard, one; Frank Waddell, one; James Hall, one.—S. J. R.

MRS. GRASSMAN RECOVERS

New York, Nov. 12.—After spending several weeks in Beth Israel Hospital as the result of a fall on the ice last winter that broke her knee cap, Mrs. S. L. (Deafy) Grassman, wife of Newark's popular tattooer, is able to be about again, and paid a visit to the New York offices of The Billboard this week. Her husband is located opposite the courthouse in Newark and is enjoying prosperity. He was at one time located in Philadelphia and has many friends.

TO WINTER IN JERSEY CITY

New York, Nov. 12.—David Munn, representing the James M. Benson Shows, was in New York and vicinity this week to make arrangements for winter quarters for the shows in Jersey City, where they will jump from a point in South Carolina, according to present plans.

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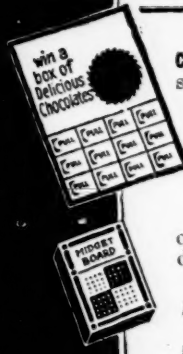
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"RANDOM RAMBLES"

By **WILLIAM JUDKINS HEWITT**

Take the hint. Do it now. The Christmas edition of The Billboard is now being built. Work on it was started last March, immediately after the big Spring Special was off the presses. Try and get in the Christmas Number. Make your reservations now.

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reminds us that your organization is entitled to big billing and plenty of space in the newspapers. Carnival owners and managers should see that this part of your agreement is taken care of in the contracts you make with fair managers and auspices for season 1921. Don't say "I forget to do this when we signed up for the date."

"The World's Greatest Annual Event"—Canadian National Exhibition. They had "shows within shows." One of their features was an electrical show, a motor show and government demonstrations. Take it from us, more of the fairs are going to add the "Trade and Industrial Shows" as part of the general scheme. Some will go so far as to have airplane shows in the future. Keep ahead of the times. Don't let time pass you. How do you know it's "no good" if you haven't tried it?

Early season headlines read: "Crops Good in Canada." Then why was it that some of the exhibitions were not up to past standards from a gross receipts point of view? There are a lot of things we want to know? Can you help out?

A plantation minstrel performer was offered \$8 a week and cakes. He said can't be done, "boss," make it that and include the abuse (shoes).

One carnival manager told us that his outfit was as good as any in the day time and a whole lot better than many at night. Illumination had something to do with this, we bet.

C. A. Wortham—We read in the New York newspapers some time ago some news from **WORTHAM, TEXAS.** Why wouldn't this be a good place for winter quarters for the **C. A. Wortham** carnival interests? Few in the busi-

ness have a town the same name as theirs. Sick the press agents on "Wortham town."

J. George Loos said a mouthful when he voiced "You can't parcel post a show."

Those who do not hear the call in cases of emergency are indeed in a state of "COMA."

INASMUCH as **OPENAIR BAZAARS, STREET CIRCUSES** and **BLOCK PARTIES** are going to be all the rage season 1921, it might be well to read the following about the "BLOCK PARTIES." The New York Evening World, of June 16, said editorially: "BLOCK PARTIES. A protest against 'too many block parties' in one of the boroughs is a testimonial to the popularity of this new form of community activity."

"The protest filed appears to be backed by good reasons, but this should not lead to a general movement to do away with this excellent outgrowth of wartime spirit of 'get-together.'"

"Careful reading of the complaint seems to indicate resentment of the way in which the entertainments have been carried out rather than to the idea of the entertainment itself."

"Here is a field for the exercise of discretion. Block parties should not become a nuisance, but anything which will call the neighbors together, permit them to make neighborhood acquaintances, and to enjoy some of the features of the old village 'sociable' is precious beyond words in New York of all places."

"There are block parties, and then there are other block parties. The right sort of block parties should be cherished and helped, not discouraged."

Read the above over. **OUR MORAL**—If the carnival was not popular there would not be so many carnivals. As above transcribed "There are carnivals and again there are carnivals."

It's all in the way a business is conducted. It's not the business.

Court sane optimism.

Get ready for season 1921.

Not many more weeks before the dawn of the New Year.

Look ahead, showman; don't repeat the mistakes of the past season.

Those without law and order in their "system" seem to get along and do as well as those with it—but they don't. Profound students of humans and things will prove to you they don't.

CARNIVAL OWNERS AND MANAGERS—Encourage the independent showman with ideas and money to build something new. It's the "open front" show, and not the "sit 'em down ballyhoo" show that will get the money. Times have changed. Again we repeat: If the people want to sit down they will patronize the riding devices.

Behold the Southeastern Motion Picture Exposition, Atlanta, December 3 to 11, under the direction of **William A. Sanges**, of the "Wall of Death" motordrome fame. His success is assured. **George H. Hamilton** says this of Mr. Sanges: "He is one of the greatest motion picture salesmen in the business."

The "uplift" comes via contraction, and not expansion, in cases where the higher intelligence predominates. **W. C. Fleming** says he can't figure this out, but he is of the opinion it's **K. O.**

T. A. Wolfe, Rubin Gruberg, James Patterson, Con T. Kennedy, I. J. Polack, Johnny J. Jones and **C. A. Wortham** will show "who's who" at the Chicago meeting.

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CONFLICTING DATES ADJUSTED
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Witt's Famous Shows To Both
Play Tampa, Fla.

Whereas a confliction of dates arose in the
granting of permits to Witt's Famous Shows
and the Miller Bros.' Circus Exposition to ex-
hibit in Tampa, Fla., with exemption of the
payment of license required for such exhibi-
tions, as ruled by the City Council and previ-
ously mentioned in these columns, an affidavit
on Council adoption, bearing the seal of the
city of Tampa, Fla., the name G. T. Henderson,
president of the City Council, and certified and
signed by W. A. Johnson, City Clerk, was re-
ceived by The Billboard last Sunday.

The affidavit states that it was not the in-
tention of the City Council that there should
be conflicting dates, and as this matter had
been amicably adjusted between the representa-
tives of the organizations in question the fol-
lowing resolutions were passed on November 9:
"RESOLVED by the City of Tampa, Fla.,
that the said Miller Show and Carnival be
granted a permit to exhibit in the City of
Tampa from November 29 to December 4, 1920,
for the benefit of the Relief Society of the
Police Department, under the same conditions
upon which the permit was heretofore granted,
and be it further
"RESOLVED that the permit heretofore
granted to the Witt Show and Carnival be
effective from December 6 to December 25, in-
clusive, under the same conditions as set forth
in the petition and motion granted upon the
petition of the Children's Home of the City of
Tampa, and be it further
"RESOLVED that the said Miller Show and
Carnival be granted permission to exhibit in
the City of Tampa, Fla., for the benefit of the
Relief Society of the Police Department of the
City of Tampa for a period of one additional
week, the date of which shall not conflict with
the dates granted to the Children's Home and
under the same terms and conditions as were
heretofore granted it upon the petition of the
Relief Society of the Police Department of the
City of Tampa for the exhibition of the said
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broadly speaking, the impregnating of the cotton
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PAUL PRELL TO LAUNCH SHOWS
Paterson, N. J., Nov. 12.—After closing a
very successful season with the Rubin & Cherry
Shows, with which he had a number of at-
tractive and well-stocked concessions, Paul E.
Prell, of this city, and who during his fifteen
years' experience has become well known in the
outdoor show business, has announced that he
will next season launch his own carnival com-
pany. The organization will be a fifteen-car
outfit, and it is intended that the opening be
about the middle of April in this city.

Mr. Prell has already purchased six flat cars
and a beautiful private car, also a complete
Wild West show, with twenty head of horses
and four steers, and is contemplating a business
trip in the next few days to Maple Shade, N. J.,
to place his order for a number of wagons. He
has also been active in securing attractions
and rides.

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Tulsa, Ok., Nov. 14.—George W. Westerman,
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Shows, and Samuel Burgdorf, manager, and Leo
Lynn, general agent of the World's Champion
Shows, now playing Champion, Kan., have just
signed contracts at the Hotel Tulsa, whereby
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Savannah, Ga., Nov. 13.—The announced mar-
riage of C. W. (Doc) Allen and Mrs. Louise
(Aunt Lou) Blitz, both members of the Johnny
J. Jones Exposition, and which was scheduled to
be solemnized here yesterday, has been post-
poned by the contracting parties. "Aunt Lou,"
it is said, is not in the best of health at present,
and intends leaving here tomorrow for Chi-
cago.

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PLEA FOR THE SMALL EXHIBITOR

DANGEROUS PRESSURE TO RAISE ADMISSION

EVILS THAT CALL FOR A SPEEDY REMEDY

The Billboard prints the subjoined letter and statement, believing that the facts there stated and the comments made therein are the reflections of thousands of the small-town exhibitors: The Billboard,

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Gentlemen— I am enclosing for your perusal a condensed bit of "info" on the exclusive rentals charged in small towns by some companies. Yes, there's a remedy, and one that is very helpful to the industry.

As I understand, the president of the N. Y. Central R. R. and executives make a personal trip over their road to see for themselves just what is going on, how the road is run. Your sales manager suggestion is good, but the average film executive in New York is guided mainly by "reports, reports and reports," from different sources, and I would suggest that the "big men" go over their own road personally instead of going by the report system, and they will find that a lot of the little exhibitors are carrying a real big load because they're game to the core. They want to give a real show to their people, and in showing their spirit to advance they help our industry.

It may take some few years to stabilize the rental system in a really fair way so that the small exhibitor is kept alive, but every one counts.

All these ideas worked out honestly and common sense, less the "H. O. politics prevailing with friendship cutouts," will give the exhibitor confidence with the distributor.

There is still room for a great big distributing outfit with straight and strict business ideas to be formed, and it may be formed to the advantage of the motion picture industry in the near future.

Very cordially yours,
GARDNER PICTURES, INC.,
By C. A. Taylor, General Manager.
HOME OFFICE-LOGY

There was once
A Home Office
In New York
That had 30 or 35 branches,
And these branches
Had to sell films
AT ANY COST,
Then the cost began
To advance and advance,
Until they had to
Raise their rentals
In big and small towns.

Then the exhibitor
Had to raise his prices
To the dear public,
And then they
Raised again
And then they
All raised again,
And it seems to be
A raising habit.

The dear public
Might resent all
These raises to see
The really big features.

And unless some
Of the big executives
Look into these raises
And do a Henry Ford
The little exhibitor
Might close up
And go to some hot
Climate for the winter.

Increase after increase in costs of these two branches has put the price of film to such a point that the smaller theater can hardly push his admission much higher, and some careful study must be given this angle, especially the small theaters. It seems peculiar that the average company does not exterminate the "petty

bog politics of friendship" that are employed in the business in putting inefficient men where executive brains are necessary. Unless this is eliminated "outside brains" will be invited and might make good. This is a study, after a two months' tour in small and big towns, small and big exchanges, and I see that this evil must be remedied before the cost of film to the exhibitor can be gauged on a nearly fair basis. There is nothing more than good common sense to be applied, and the law of supply and demand will still govern the film business, irrespective of the opinions of many.

In conclusion I would suggest that the big men of the industry make a close personal study

plotted in this country by the World Film Corporation, is reported as having been sold for physical distribution thruout the Japanese territory. The picture has also been sold for territorial distribution thruout India, Burmah and Ceylon.

"The Transgressor," produced by the Catholic Art Association, and controlled for foreign distribution by the Inter-Ocean Film Corporation, together with the rights to "The Long Arm of Mannister," are reported as having been sold for distribution thruout Australia. The rights for "The Silent Barrier" are also reported sold for that territory.

ARKANSAS EXHIBITORS ORGANIZE

At Successful Meeting They Decide To Join the M. P. T. O.

At a formal meeting at the Hotel Como in Hot Springs, Ark., the exhibitors of that State effected the organization of the Motion Picture Theater Owners of Arkansas. Thus the Motion Picture Theater Owners of America is strengthened by another unit. There was only one session, consuming almost all of the day. Thirty-nine exhibitors signed their names as charter members of the State organization.

A resolution was adopted affiliating the new body with the national association of theater owners. Other resolutions were adopted sanctioning the methods and accomplishments of the national organization. The quota for Arkansas, in carrying on the work of the parent association, was raised during the meeting.

The officers elected to sponsor the Arkansas exhibitors were:

C. A. Lick, of Fort Smith, president; E. C. Robertson, of Fayetteville, vice-president; O. E. Hauber, of Pine Bluff, secretary and treasurer.

An active committee whose members represent every congressional district in the State was appointed:

D. E. Fitton, of Harrison; W. L. Muck, of Jonesboro; W. L. Sanders, of Batesville; E. C. Robertson, of Fayetteville; E. H. Butler, of Russellville; V. J. Haydel, of Helena; Sydney Nutt, of Hot Springs; J. A. Collins, of Hope, and Hoyt Kirkpatrick, of Fort Smith.

The meeting was decidedly in favor of paying strict attention to State legislative matters, and a committee was appointed to look after these items, especially the censorship movement.

E. T. Peter, of Dallas, was present at the meeting, as a representative of the M. P. T. O. America. He gave the assembly an account of the activities of the national association from the time of its organization at Cleveland up to the present time. He also told the meeting what Texas was doing to defeat censorship, that everybody was working in harmony in Texas.

At noon Sydney Nutt invited the visiting exhibitors to a Rotary luncheon. Mr. Peter was then asked to define a first-run picture, which he did to be sure. He took occasion to tell the Rotarians about censorship and asked them to help their home town exhibitors to defeat it.

Another meeting of the Arkansas exhibitors is scheduled at Little Rock for November 22, at the Marion Hotel, beginning at 10:30 in the forenoon.

GLADMER THEATER CHANGES

Lansing, Mich., Nov. 11.—Radical changes have been completed in the orchestra pit of the Gladmer Theater, and the playhouse now boasts of one of the best pipe organs in the State. Jay Hurlbut is the Gladmer organist, and the large concert orchestra is under the direction of Carl W. Baker.

Manager Claude E. Cady is making a specialty of his music, given in connection with the feature films.

PICTURES FOR CHURCH

Rochester, N. H., Nov. 12.—Trinity Methodist Church at West Manchester, N. H., will introduce moving pictures into its social life the coming winter. At the annual meeting of the Men's Class this feature was definitely decided upon. It is the belief of the members of the society present, including the pastor, Rev. Nelson E. Canfield and wife, that motion pictures, properly censored, would prove a popular and instructive feature.

Have you looked thru the Letter List in this issue? There may be a letter advertised for you.

MOVIE OR GANG?

Again the movie has come under the critic's lash as a school for crime. One paper calls attention to the fact that the scenes enacted in a recent bank robbery were just the sort depicted with increasing frequency upon the screen, and watched with eager eyes by youths ripe for evil influence. But as a matter of fact the movies probably incite a very small proportion of the crimes with which the country is overwhelmed at present. The corner gang is the true school for lawlessness.

No matter what his predilection for crime may be, the spectator at the movies sees one thing with unflinching regularity—good triumphs. The great white light which beats upon the screen leaves no spot where the crook may hide in safety, and, with the same impartiality with which it reveals his methods of operation, it lays bare the futility of his fleeting triumphs and the completeness of his downfall.

The corner gang performs no such wholesome office. It may get some suggestions as to technique from the movies, but the urge to crime is already there. The lust for excitement is cunningly fostered, the possible gains are avidly considered, the dangers discounted and the restraints of law and public opinion are openly sneered at. The triumph of evil is the gospel of the corner gang.

This is the place to begin with censorship and elimination. The moving picture is a result, a record, either real or fictional, of a deed accomplished. Those who have the safety of society truly at heart will seek elsewhere for the source of crime. It is not found upon the screen, but lurking in the shadows outside.—ST. PETERSBURG (FLA.) TIMES.

of the small town exhibitors, otherwise in a year or two the revenue will dwindle in these places.

Of course the cry will go up that the exhibitor is making big money; maybe he is, but he is rare in small towns.

Just a personal opinion from an independent exchange man, who has seen eleven years as salesman, manager, etc., of corporations.

C. A. TAYLOR,
General Manager.

Gardner Pictures, Buffalo, N. Y.

INTER-OCEAN REPORTS MANY SALES

Many sales were reported last week by the Inter-Ocean Film Corporation in a statement issued by Gus Schlesinger, manager of the department of Foreign Film Sales. "The Silent Barrier," first of the Louis Tracy productions; "Whispering Devils," an Equity Pictures special, starring Conway Teale and Rosemary Theby, and "Bearcat," an adaptation of Charles Neville Buck's celebrated novel, "When Bearcat Went Dry," are reported as having been sold for physical distribution thruout Argentine, Uruguay, Paraguay, Chile, Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador. This contract is said to have been closed for a large consideration.

Additional sales reported last week by Inter-Ocean convey the information that "Whispering Devils" has been disposed of for territorial distribution thruout France, Switzerland, Belgium and Holland, and that a print of "The Brazilian Wilderness" has been sold for distribution in Scandinavia.

"The Ghost of Slumber Mountain," the one-reel novelty film which was so successfully ex-

INDEPENDENT PRODUCER IN CLEVELAND

Cleveland, O., Nov. 11.—One of the sensations of Picture Row of the season has just been created by Edmund Goulding, English playwright, scenario writer and stage and film director, by completing in five days a story, "Dangerous Days," by the Bradley Feature photoplays Sam R. Bradley, head of the company, announced this feat this week.

Mr. Goulding has spent the greater part of his life on the stage, having appeared in many different parts in numerous plays with leading actors in England and the Continent. It was not until 1914 that he entered the writing branch of the field, and during his service in France in the World War wrote several plays at leisure moments. Since then many of his scenarios have been adapted to the requirements of American motion picture stars. Mr. Goulding bases his success as a film play writer to his knowledge of the stage itself. While here Mr. Goulding advanced the opinion that the motion picture producer is at the beginning of a career for the molding of public opinion second only to that of the newspaper editor.

Mr. Goulding will presently begin the production of two pictures in Italy, and after that plans to return to England or America as a producer on his own account.

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The Billboard Reviewing Service

"THE RIDDLE WOMAN"

Associated Producers, starring Geraldine Farrar

Reviewed by W. STEPHEN BUSH

The worst picture put out by a responsible producer in many months. Story has neither head nor tail. It is foreign in atmosphere and not acceptable to American audiences.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

Out of the confused mass of scenes the following facts are dimly discernible: A super-villain of melodramatic hue ruins one woman after another and besides being a rascal is a secondarily blackmailer. He has a secret which he threatens to reveal to the husband of the woman whom he pursues. In the end he is both felled and killed and the respectable man that has married the woman pursued by the villain is left to live the rest of his days in happiness.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

If the attitude and comments of the audience in the Strand be taken as a criterion I do not think this picture will enjoy a great run of popularity. The direction of the feature is exceptionally bad. Time and again a new scene is put on the screen apropos of nothing in particular, and a lengthy title, often running to more than twenty words, is inserted to explain a few feet of picture. The atmosphere is thoroughly foreign. The conditions of life portrayed do not exist here and an American audience finds it difficult to follow or believe in them. The play takes so many sudden and incomprehensible turns that one gets tired following them. Geraldine Farrar has some of the old fire still left in her, but in this part she has no opportunity to show what she is capable of doing. The only point of merit is the superb settings. The people in the play act as if they were in an unpleasant sort of trance, but they are always surrounded by excellent interiors and exteriors. If settings alone could put over a picture this one would be all right. When considerate and conservative audiences, such as are generally found at the Strand, begin to giggle at supposedly serious scenes of a feature there isn't much hope for a picture.

ADVERTISING POSSIBILITY

See press sheet.

BALANCE OF PROGRAM

Something sane and coherent is strongly advised.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Not much.

"THE BROADWAY BUBBLE"

Directed by George L. Sargent, starring Corinne Griffith, Vitagraph, five reels.

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

Lavish display of ultra gowns, with a theatrical atmosphere showing interior of theater, and where a stage career led to, are the best points in this conventional story.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

Twin sisters, Adrienne and Drina, come from the small town of Prescott, Adrienne marrying a wealthy man whom she does not love. Desiring a theatrical career she applies to her manager friend, Corlies, for an opening. He agrees to star her, but the husband objects. Adrienne plans to have her twin sister pose as herself while she, donning a blond wig, rehearses the musical comedy for the Broadway premiere. Drina reluctantly accepting to pose as the wife, her sweetness appealing to the husband, Geoffry Landreth, making him believe that his wife has grown to love him. Circumstances keep him at a distance till Drina, loving the man, realizes that she cannot longer ward off the inevitable denouement. The opening night the couple attend the musical comedy and while in the midst of her success Adrienne faints, rolling down a flight of stairs and is

fatally injured. Geoffry and Drina are free to marry.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

There is the usual display of feminine charms, in this instance quite boldly introduced with the star in a dual role, either in a swimming pool or on a deshabille, looking very alluring in a luxurious bed, with all the frapperies of a dainty woman's boudoir. While there is little suspense and no dramatic action the picture holds attention by the complex character of the one woman, and the sweetness of her twin sister, thus forming a wide range of characterization for the versatile star. There are some clever situations when the woman of the world initiates her country sister into the mysteries of a lip stick and other adjuncts of a fashionable woman's wardrobe.

A musical and complete musical comedy performance with dancing girls in expensive costumes, a full dress audience and a star's dressing room are some of the intimate glimpses which add color to the picture. It evidently was intended merely as a starring vehicle for Miss Griffith, who has grown voluptuous in form and fascinating in manner. But the picture lacks sympathy and is purely a surface story, never reaching the heart or thrilling the senses.

Joe King, as the patient husband, acted with restraint, making the unreal character almost pleasing. (Outside of the movies we don't have such polite husbands.) Trick photography and double exposure make it possible for Miss Griffith to appear in various scenes talking to herself, and with her ability and sense of proportions she made each role stand on its individual merits.

There was a harmonious tempo about the showing and able direction which in less dexterous hands than Mr. Sargent's might have spoilt the effectiveness of the languorous story.

SUITABILITY

City theaters. Family trade may object to a few risque scenes.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Good.

"JUST PALS"

Story by John McDermott, directed by Jack Ford, five reels, Fox picture.

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

A somewhat different picture for Buck Jones, free from Western atmosphere, but likable by reason of its sympathetic appeal.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

Bim, a lazy man in small town, forms a friendship for little ragged youngster, "Bill," who came in on a freight. They pal it together, but Bim insists upon the little fellow attending school, especially as the teacher, Mary Bruce, has aroused a sleeping ambition in the ne'er-do-well's heart and he turns right for her sake. An express clerk has used the funds of his company and urges Mary to loan him the Memorial Funds, of which she is custodian. This fund is to build a new school house and has been contributed by the children. Harvey has promised to return the money on request, and when the School Board meets and demands the funds Mary writes a note, asking Bim to deliver it to Harvey. But a delay occurs, and Mary, driven desperate, attempts suicide by drowning. Rescued, Bim takes the blame of the delayed money on himself, and the villagers want to visit punishment upon him, the Mary realizes his worth. On the roadside with his little pal he meets a gang that intends to rifle the express office safe to cover the defalcations of Harvey's, but Bim interferes and is arrested as an accomplice. But when about to be strung up Bill convinces the Sheriff that Harvey is the wanted party. Bim is released and later saves the life of a little boy being kidnapped for ransom; the father gives him a check for \$10,000, which helps Bim and his little pal to spruce up, and it is evident that happiness awaits him with the faithful school teacher, Mary.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

We doubt if the lazy type of men characters are appreciated upon the screen, but there is a different angle to this story which draws sympathy for the derelict, showing the real worth of a man beneath ragged garments. Again we see a number of bright school children, who make the opening reels genuine with their unaffected mannerisms—and the playing of little Bill by George Stone is one of the pleasing parts of the picture. He is a wonder at screen visualization, conveying every thought with an expressive countenance, causing many laughs by his vernacular of the streets, which fill the subtitles with a touch of comedy.

Buck Jones proves his versatility in playing the outcast with a realism that was convincing.

He was the down-and-out town bum—minus the drink part—to the life. Of action there was an abundance, and the happenings were such as could occur in any rural community. While not a great picture, there are more than the average entertaining qualities and it will hold attention thruout.

Thanks to Jack Ford, the direction is up to the minute; never does the continuity break, and suspense has not been neglected. It is actionful and colorful, with just a suspicion of pathos, making a rattling good picture for the popular houses.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Good.

"ALWAYS AUDACIOUS"

Paramount picture, starring Wallace Reid

Reviewed by W. STEPHEN BUSH

A lively feature. Plenty of suspense and mystery. Good entertainment.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

A scheming crook capitalizes his striking resemblance to a young millionaire by having the millionaire kidnaped and shanghaied and then stepping into his shoes. The millionaire has great trouble getting back to his home, and when he reaches it at last he falls in establishing his identity as against the plausible claims of the impostor. On the verge of despair he turns to a newspaper reporter to help him out. After many failures the impostor is finally unmasked and arrested and the young millionaire comes into his own, including his money and his fiancée.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

Wallace Reid does not disappoint his numerous admirers in this play. He displays his usual dash and speed and in addition he attempts to play the parts of an open-handed young millionaire and a "crook." In this he does not succeed so well, depending altogether too much on the movements of his eyebrows in differentiating the millionaire from the "crook." He makes the best of the funny situations in the play. The picture is well directed, skillfully handling the elements of suspense and mystery. The star is well supported, settings are excellent and the atmosphere is good.

ADVERTISING POSSIBILITIES

See press sheet.

BALANCE OF PROGRAM

Will offer no difficulty.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Good.

"FRIVOLOUS WIVES"

Producers Film Exchange, Shown at the Stanley Theater, November 9

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

There was so much running in and out that we became conscious of a lot of doors. For the ingenue heroine was always on the rush—and always peeved about something. A picture with little genuine entertainment, but may satisfy the less discriminating.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

A grafting contractor has a second wife, who loves a spurious Italian, Count Roberto. In order to save the family name from disgrace she arranges with the Count to force a marriage with her husband's young daughter, Mary, who loves Douglas, a struggling lawyer. To save her father Mary marries the Count, establishing a deadline between their rooms. Ethel, her step-mother, avows her love for Roberto, and decides to kill him while they are out motoring. He leaps from the machine, safe, while she is killed in the wreckage. Douglas prevents a blackmailing case against the father from becoming public, and when the Count declares that he never loved his bride, he flees to South America, and Mary and Douglas have the marriage annulled so they can wed.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

Ordinary material, confusing and contradictory, with nothing clearly established. Footage is wasted on inconsequential things, and it is a constant succession of running in and out, permitting of no acting or a chance for the scenes to register. The best work was done by the heavy woman, while the ingenue was terribly distressed for an ingenue. The picture is guilty of being exceedingly tiresome, and the conclusion comes without exciting any interest on the part of the auditors.

There must be some locations where this type of work will find a following, otherwise it's a waste of time to construct such a drama.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Very poor.

"OUT OF THE SNOWS"

A Ralph Ince production, starring Zeena Keefe, distributed by Seiznick. Shown at New York Theater, November 9

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

The best picture of the Northwest C. R. M. P., placed in locations where snow is genuine and icicles heavy enough to kill a man. Nothing finer atmospherically and a mighty good story besides, tho the star has little prominence.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

John Inglow is murdered and Blakeman kills his daughter Ruth that her father was killed by Bob Holiday, a mounted policeman of the Royal Canadian forces, stationed at a trading post in Northwestern Canada. She loves but refuses to marry Bob, who is sent out by his superior officer to discover the hiding place of the fur smugglers. Also to bring in a half-breed girl, Anita, who had stabbed a man in self-defense. With the aid of Red Deer, an Indian scout, Anita escapes to a boat frozen in the distant bay, but is refused admittance or shelter from the cold by Blakeman and his men. Bob follows in time to fight it out with Blakeman, who has destroyed evidence of his smuggling by setting fire to incriminating documents. The ship burns to a cinder, and Anita, loving Bob, has crept in during the fight, receiving her death wound from Blakeman. On the way to the post she dies, and Blakeman, in an effort to escape, is killed by the Indian. Bob and Ruth come to an understanding.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

Zeena Keefe comes into the picture quite late and has so little to do that her role is overshadowed by the girl, Ruth, tho the star does her work convincingly and makes an attractive half-breed. She is assisted by an excellent cast, the men especially being giants of strength in the wilderness of snow and cutting blizzards. Many tragic events occur to stamp individuality upon the story, which is crisp in motive and has a fine heart appeal to draw sympathy. Perhaps it is the accuracy of details, supplied by directorial skill, which adds distinction to the pictured narrative, lifting it above many of its contemporaries. The frozen schooner, held tight in the desolate bay, the running of dog teams, the huge drifts of snow, intensified when nature precipitates a raging blizzard, which almost blurs the view of ice-covered trails and heavy snow-lung pine trees, contribute realism of a graphic sort.

Such an offering will please any and all patrons who like this kind of virile stories of the frozen north. It is clean and vigorous, without being too melodramatic or improbable.

SUITABILITY

All theaters.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Good.

"WANDA'S AFFAIR"

Chadwick, State Rights

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

A very amateurish offering. Requires judicious pruning and eliminating irrelevant matter, which caused laughter from a mixed audience.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

This is such a crudely constructed picture one wonders why the attempt was made at all. It is a constant rushing back and forth, with no time allowed for a scene to register or coherent acting to put over a situation. The lead is supposed to be Ruby DeRemer, but her part is so contradictory as to detract from any appeal, while the chorus girl adventures, played by Christine Mayo, has the strongest situations in the piece. A brazen scene is presented when the hero frames the adventures, in order to

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obtain incriminating letters for his reckless protege, and starts to disrobe in a bedroom, where he has locked the blackmailing woman and himself. The coming of the woman he loves upon this scene was foolishly chosen and caused laughter. The titles are dull and the players seemed whirled about by the directors' excited directions. Miss DeRemer was never so badly cast, and as the story is but a succession of going in and out it fails to hold attention. The male character, an inventor, played by Guy Combes, made continual sacrifices for a scapegrace lad which were entirely unnecessary. There are also a couple Japanese villains which somehow get badly mixed up—and forgotten to wards the end.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Poor.

"WHISPERING DEVILS"

From the novel of Henry Arthur Jones, starring Conway Tearle, directed by Harry Garson. A Garson-Equity picture. Six reels.

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

Powerful acting of Conway Tearle and Rosemary Theby make this half dream story acceptable, tho some may object to the daring scenes of passionate love in which a man of the church figures.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

In a fishing village Michael Faversham, a stern, conscientious minister, forces a girl who has gone wrong to confess her sin before the congregation. Some time later a woman comes into this man's life, and when left together on a lonely island, passion overcomes reason, and his sin compels him to tell his parish of his straying from the path of rectitude. But he awakens from his dream to find the woman alive, and a higher love enters his life. Marriage results from his experience.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

It is rather puzzling to tell where the dream leaves off and the sequences are difficult to follow. But the action is tense and dramatic, supplying a better grade of work than is usually presented in the cinema drama. It shows a man's struggle against his baser appetites and his victorious fight.

Some pleasing scenes and fine views are shown, which fit in well with the somewhat different story.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

In cities the film will go well. Family trade may object.

"SMILING ALL THE WAY"

Scenario by Paul Scofield, directed by Fred Butler, starring David Butler. D. N. Schwab Productions, Inc. Five reels.

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

Begins in the Maine logging camps and ends in a Greenwich Village restaurant. David Butler should have a better scenario to exploit his talent.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

Hannibal Pillsbury, flap-jack baker in a logging camp, is attracted by Alice Drydan, a summer visitor, whose hand is sought by Cadman, owner of the camp. Alice loses her fortune thru the death of her uncle and goes to a friend in the Greenwich Village of New York, where she uses her last money to buy the Purple Guinea Pig Restaurant, frequented by the Bohemian set. Hannibal follows, tries to obtain an education while working as cook in a partnership with Alice. Bashfulness prevents his telling of his great love, but he protects the girl



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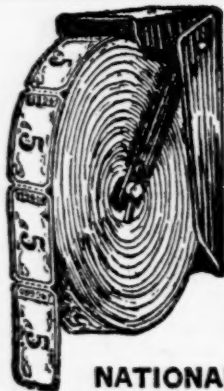
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from her relatives, who eventually lure her away on a yacht bound for Bar Harbor. Hannibal follows and brings her back as his wife.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

It is very evident that much cutting and switching about has altered the face of this story, which on the whole might have been acceptable were it not for the antiquated ideas injected, such as Hannibal studying a set formula to propose. That belongs to the archaic age of the rural drama, and makes the towering physique of the star shrink into insignificance. There are no dramatic values, no thrilling action, no suspenseful moments in the offering, its chief appeal depending upon the smiling countenance of the star to hold attention for five reels. A few laughs will be found in the film, but Mr. Butler is worthy of a more engrossing story, with better surroundings. There is nothing to attract sympathy, none of the characters possessing much force, and the best parts of the settings are found in the first reel of a woodland and woodcutters' cabin.

Altogether the picture is forced and shows plainly that it has been tampered with—with-out satisfactory results.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Weak.

"THE STAR ROVER"

Adapted from the novel by Jack London, scenario by Albert Shelby LeVino, directed by Edward Sloman, A. C. E. Shurtliff production, distributed by Metro. Six parts.

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

The best part of Jack London's story left out—the massacre in the sand pits by Indians at the instigation of the Mormons. Too much unrelieved brutality deprives picture of natural appeal.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

An old gentleman is reading Jack London's novel, "The Star Rover," and the scenes of the story are played as the action progresses. Dr. Standing is visiting a musical comedy show when a man in an opposite box is shot dead, the pistol being found by the doctor's side. He is arrested for the murder and forced thru a grueling third degree by Inspector Burns, whose brutal methods of stringing the man up by his thumbs causes him to lose consciousness and his soul floats thru his past life, over which he lives again at various periods and episodes. Burns listens at a dictophone, and hears his

ravings, but cannot fasten the crime upon the doctor. His sweetheart, Faith Levering, appeals to the District Attorney, and Burns is reprimanded for his atrocious actions. Hoping to learn the truth Faith suggests that Standing be again placed on the rack, in the hope that his sub-conscious self will reveal how the murder occurred. He consents, and repeats what really happened. The chorus girl, who actually killed the man, is apprehended and Dr. Standing released.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

Had scenes of charm, pleasing in their variety, been introduced during the doctor's peregrinations in his somnambulant state there might have been a large measure of enjoyment while watching the unfolding of this picture. But it is surfeited with deeds of cruelty in the present era, and goes back to the middle ages, where the hero served as a slave to a murderous old king—and yet again to the Chinese country centuries ago when he was vilely treated by the Celestials for curing by herbs. Back again to the prison cell, where modern devilishness concocted ever more fiendish methods of inflicting punishment. It is not an engaging sight to see a man hang by his thumbs, even tho' the actor playing the role failed to express the sweat of agony naturally resulting from such an experience. The outrageous conduct of Inspector Burns was piled on too thick to appear genuine, and the titles expressing his disgust being of the present-day slang came like something of a shock upon scenes of by-gone ages. Altogether the picture does not ring true, nor does it possess the depth and breadth of the famous author's work. The idea that the soul does not die with the body is fairly well conveyed.

The role of Doctor Standing was intrusted to Courtenay Foote, but he did not live up to our conception of the character, a constant sameness being evident in his work. The women of the cast were extremely plain and unresponsive, with the exception of the Chinese woman. An elaborate presentation is offered, the flash back scenes being placed with an eye to accurate effects, but details at times were overlooked. The doctor's thumbs showed no ill effects of the tight cords when he embraced his sweetheart, but in another scene, with the District Attorney, they are rimmed with purple marks. After such an onerous exertion the man would faint from exhaustion, yet his countenance did not express suffering. As a somewhat different story this may attract in certain sections, but those who are familiar with the book will feel disappointed.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Doubtful.

"TRUMPET ISLAND"

A Vitagraph picture, shown at the Savoy Theater November 13

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

A very entertaining picture with some wonderful scenes, showing a large airplane riding thru a storm. The love element is nicely handled without any offensive suggestion on the deserted island.

THE CRITICAL X RAY

This is a sensational story which reaches its inexorable climax without any digression from the central idea. It throbs with human passion, yet shows the self-control of an idle young man who had sought seclusion on a lonely island, only to be visited by the girl whose face haunted his memory. Wrecked in an airplane on her wedding trip with the man she had just married against her inclinations—rescued by the hero she had recently met in polite society—her mind reverting to that of a child from the shock of her experiences—she lived an innocent, carefree life in the thatched hut built by the man who protected her honor against himself. When the husband, landing on an adjacent island, is told by the tramp bandits that a woman wearing a necklace is on Trumpet Island he repairs there and claims his wife, whose reason had returned. The hero is obliged to give her up, and in despair sees the party descend to the waiting boat, when the bandits, demanding the necklace as booty, quarrel with the husband. In the scuffle he falls over the cliff to his death and the lovers are free to return to civilization.

All these picturesque scenes and entertaining episodes are so cleverly interwoven with an under current of suspense that the picture possesses more than ordinary charm. It is well played, too, finely directed and dramatically appealing.

The audience at the Savoy evidently enjoyed the filming, as it held close attention to the artistic fadeaway.

SUITABILITY

All houses.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

Consistently fine.

"THE PENALTY"

Story by Gouverneur Morris, Directed by Wallace Worsley, Goldwyn Picture, Shown at the Capitol Theater Sunday, November 14

Reviewed by MARION RUSSELL

Gruesome story of legless man, who plots monstrous crimes, making what should be entertainment a pathological horror. Such a work is not suited for screen purposes and did not please the crowds.

THE STORY IN SKELETON FORM

Boy is mangled by city truck and young surgeon makes a mistake by amputating his legs. The cripple grows up into a human monster, ever plotting to avenge himself upon the surgeon, whose daughter, studying sculptoring, uses the legless man, Blizzard, as a subject for Satan. He rules the underworld, hypnotizes women, and plans the overthrow of Frisco by inciting riot, incendiarism and bloodshed. He conquers the girl detective, who seeks to expose his underground stronghold, and other women are killed and cast aside by the soulless wretch. Demanding that the girl's lover sacrifice his strong limbs to be grafted on his own trunk, he lures the hero to his den and orders Dr. Ferris to perform the operation. He consents, but instead operates on the base of the man's skull, transforming him again into a kindly human being.

THE CRITICAL X-RAY

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In which jenuous fury and diabolical devilry are ever foremost. There is not one relieving moment in this depiction of a distorted mind, and it evidently did not please the audience which, after all, pays to be amused and not horrified and depressed. Mr. Chaney is constantly in the limelight and is an actor of much ability. But why choose a vehicle from which all sane-minded people will shrink? The star also comes out in another scene after the play itself has finished and bows to prove that the actor actually has a pair of legs which previously he had so cleverly disguised.

As an example of evil, teaching crime and distorted ideas, this picture should take the prize. Yet it passed the National Board of Review. It is enough to scare women and children into spasms, but there is a laugh at the girl who works the pedals of the piano for the cripple and gets fired for another more likeable creature. The moments of sensuality—even scenes and murders on the Barbary Coast—are not omitted.

When Billiard is transformed into a good man we see no evidence of his change—only a broad smile and a new wife.

If actors must shine in stellar parts give us something pleasing. Anyway, the girl at the pedals was a novelty.

ENTERTAINMENT VALUE

May depend upon taste and location.

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"Below the Deadline" will be the first production that will follow the routine of State rights. He has already installed a system by which he hopes to benefit the State-right buyers and their subsidiary interests. In their application to the Ascher product anything that is promised will not be left undone to help their clients put over the feature to the profitable satisfaction of all.

MONITOR FILM COMPANY TO PRODUCE SOON

The Monitor Film Company, which made many successful comedies before the war, will, under the able management of L. G. Grossman, attorney, Washington, D. C., again commence operations before the first of the year. Negotiations are now under way with several well-known screen artists for leading roles.

LID ON AT DAYTONA

Judge Henry T. Titus, of Daytona, Fla., has stated that Sunday blue-law violators from now on will get the limit in his court, and that he intends to see that the lid is clamped down tight on Sundays. Only druggists—for the sale of drugs only—will be allowed to remain open, he states.

Judge Titus owns one of the motion picture theaters at Daytona, and is president of the Daytona Baseball Club in the Florida State League.

DAUPHINE THEATER CONDEMNED

Mobile House Ordered Closed

Mobile, Ala., Nov. 11.—City Engineer Wright Smith has condemned the Dauphine Theater, movie house of this city, and ordered it closed. In a statement to The Billboard representative Mr. Smith said: "The roof of the theater is in bad condition, causing the walls to bulge dangerously, and as it is an amusement house where hundreds of people congregate I considered there was too much risk of accident."

The Dauphine Theater recently figured in a realty deal, whereby the Bijou Amusement Co.

of this city, operating the Empire Theater, took over a long-time, unexpired lease from S. Keller, former lessee.

According to Marguerite Luckel, secretary-treasurer of the Bijou Co., which acquired the Keller lease, her company does not know at this time just where it stands in the deal.

TO AID COMMUNITY CHEST

Cleveland, O., Nov. 12.—Once more the motion picture and exhibitors are called upon for a worthy purpose, this time to bring home to the people of this section the needs for contributing to the annual Community Chest. Robert H. McLaughlin has written a play, "Suppose Nobody Cared," founded on the poem, "About Ben Adhem," by Leigh Hunt. The theme is modernized, but conveys the original impression of the value of good to mankind. Characters in the piece have been made by individuals connected with the 195 charitable organizations of Cleveland. Exhibitors all over town have consented to show the picture.

HORWITZ ADDS ANOTHER

Cleveland, O., Nov. 12.—M. B. Horwitz, owner of the Southern and Amphion, South Side motion picture theaters, and interested in the management of several other houses, has added another enterprise to his list this week in acquiring control of the Shaw-Hayden, East Side house. The building has been only partly finished, due to litigation. Under the Horwitz regime the building will be completed with all modern conveniences. J. J. Mellert will continue as manager.

"BETTER MOVIE MOVEMENT"

Minneapolis, Nov. 13.—Plans for a co-operative movement between Minneapolis motion picture theater managers and members of the Women's Co-operative Alliance to promote a "Better Movie Movement" are now being formed and will be presented to the Alliance at a meeting November 18.

Proposal for this procedure was made at a meeting of the Alliance, at which an exhaustive survey report of motion picture conditions in Minneapolis was made by Mrs. Robbins Gilman, executive secretary of the organization. The report indicated that in general the condition of the motion picture industry in Minneapolis was healthy.

LARGE RECEIPTS

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by the Al. G. Field Minstrels at the Atlanta Theater, during the week commencing October 11, 1920: Monday, Oct. 11, \$2,300; Tuesday, Oct. 12, \$2,516; Wednesday Matinee, Oct. 13, \$1,497; Wednesday Night, Oct. 13, \$2,501; Thursday, Oct. 14, \$2,456; Friday, Oct. 15, \$2,558; Saturday Matinee, Oct. 16, \$2,181; Saturday Night, Oct. 16, \$2,230. Total, \$18,248.

"THE ATLANTA THEATER,"

"By Lewis Haase, Manager.

"Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of November, 1920.

"MRS. DOUGLAS HOENE,

"Notary Public in and for the State of Georgia at large."

"DEAR ME" FOR NEW YORK

New York, Nov. 13.—John Golden says that he will bring "Dear Me," the comedy in which Hale Hamilton and Grace La Rue are starring, to New York immediately after the holidays. This piece has been successful in the West, where it has been playing for some time.

CENSOR NYACK FILM

New York, Nov. 11.—Shimmy and one-piece bathing suits have been removed from the film taken October 27 on the stage of the Broadway Theater of Nyack girls, posed as bathing beauties. M. Mirabel, manager of the Broadway, has shown the pictures at his theater for the past three days, under the title, "The Truth."

MRS. SAMUEL SMITH NOW

New York, Nov. 13.—Marcelle Barnes, who has been a member of the cast of the "Broadway Brevities" at the Winter Garden, yesterday married Samuel Smith, who is representative of a New York waist house. The wedding took place in the home of George Le Maire. The bride was in the "Brevities" last night. Her husband sat in the front row.

PEGGY MARSH FIGHTS WILL

New York, Nov. 13.—Peggy Marsh, who has been appearing for a long run in a London production, arrived yesterday on the Baltic, determined to prove to Illinois courts next month that her four-year-old son is entitled to a share in the millions of the late Marshall Field, of Chicago. She says the boy's father was the late Henry Field, grandson of the Chicago merchant.

MAYFLOWER THEATER OPENS

Providence, R. I., Nov. 12.—The Mayflower Theater, which has been closed practically all this season, opened tonight for the season with an American comedy, "Sun Valley," with Ar-

thur Donaldson as one of the stars. The theater, which was taken over by Erlanger interests last year, has been remodeled again and improved by John Shea, the manager, who states that he believes the house will now be made to pay.

ANOTHER "CAPITOL"

Providence, R. I., Nov. 12.—Allen-Charette, Inc., announce that they will soon open a new moving picture theater in New Bedford, to be known as the Capitol. It is built along the same general lines as the Capitol of New York.

MURRAY LACHMAN MARRIES

New York, Nov. 14.—Murray Lachman, of Charles Dillingham's personal staff, was married yesterday to Stacia Clare McLaughlin at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

HARRY HASTINGS

Signs Up the "Wise Boob"

New York, Nov. 13.—Charlie Edwards advises that Harry Hastings has resigned Tom Howard, "The Wise Boob," for a three years' contract, and that Howard will be featured in Hastings' Columbia Circuit show, "Knick Knacks," which will replace Hastings' Big Show with Dan Coleman next season. Coleman will exit from the Hastings Attractions at the close of the present season.

WHITMORE SISTERS TO PARIS

New York, Nov. 14.—The three Whitmore sisters, Nina, Marion and Frances, left for Paris yesterday aboard the La Touraine. They will play an engagement there at the Folies Bergere. The sisters have been appearing on the Century Roof.

EDNA HIBBARD SECRETLY WEDS

New York, Nov. 14.—It was learned yesterday that Edna Hibbard, playing here in "The Bad Man," was secretly married October 22 to Stuart Sage, playing in "The Bat."

PRIZE FOR PLAY

New York, Nov. 15.—Among the prizes to be awarded next year by Columbia University will be one of \$1,000 for "The original American play, performed in New York, which shall best represent the educational value of the stage in raising the standard of good morals, taste and manners."

TO CLOSE FOR REDECORATION

New York, Nov. 14.—On December 2 the Century Roof will close for redecoration. When complete the new show will be given.

NEW LOEB ACTS

New York, Nov. 13.—Lester, Burke and Lester, a novelty trio vaudeville act, will open soon. Special material was written for the act by Arthur H. Gutman and Jack B. Loeb. Mr. Loeb also staged the act, "Pretty Polly," a miniature musical comedy, is another Jack B. Loeb act that will be routed as soon as possible.

DOLLAR HITS HIGH MARK

New York, Nov. 12.—Reports from Buenos Aires state that there has been a further advance in the price of the American dollar to 133, a new high-record mark, and it is said there is no immediate prospect of an abatement in the rise. Several important firms are on the verge of bankruptcy, including one with liabilities of 9,000,000 pesos. The dollar is said to have hit the high mark of 131 in Uruguay.

LINDER TO PRODUCE

New York, Nov. 13.—Jack Linder, the vaudeville agent in the Putnam Building, has given up booking the New Britain Fox Theater, Star Theater of this city and the Comedy Theater, Brooklyn. It is said he will devote all his time to producing and handling vaudeville acts.

FOWLER AND REED

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Bob Reed, formerly of the team of Reed Bros., equilo acrobats, was a Billboard caller this week. The team is now called Gene Fowler and Bob Reed, and the members are putting on a novelty acrobatic act, which will open shortly. Harry and Leo Reed are both dead.

TO FEATURE FLOZARI DANCE

Claire Illington (Mme. Ayesha), the female impersonator, classic, Oriental and Egyptian dancer, announces that he has made arrangements with "Princess Flozari" by which he will next season feature one of her dances, "Danse de Incense." This dance is the one which Flozari executed some time ago in the sketch, "The Rugmaker's Daughter," featuring Maude Allan, over the Keith Circuit. Illington has had new costumes designed and made for this dance. At present he is visiting his parents in Divernon, Ill.

CABLES FROM LONDON TOWN

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rarely ever made a mistake in his judgment. The unfortunate part is that often those who were glad to accept the series of dates extending over years at a slightly increased rate having progressed far and away beyond Clarke's figure are generally "sick" when his date matures, but are always well the week following, when they have a fatter salary to pick up.

GLASGOW CORPORATION CONCERTS

Glasgow is a most progressive city as is only right, being the second city of the British Empire. The Director of Parks in his report on entertainments by concert parties and bands in the parks during the past season says fourteen concert parties were engaged and 265 entertainments given, the average paid attendance being 549 per concert. The income was \$18,360 and the expenses \$15,000, which includes \$3,492 paid for entertainment tax. There is therefore a balance of \$3,360. At 296 band performances the average attendance was 545 in the enclosure. A like arrangement for the hire of concert parties and bands will be made for 1921.

SIR ALFRED BUTT DISCUSSES DRURY LANE FINANCE

At the twenty-third annual ordinary shareholders' meeting Butt said that the gross profit for the past financial year was some \$150,000 as against \$190,000 last year. The balance to the credit of the profit and loss account was \$109,315, from which had to be deducted \$25,000 transferred to reserve and dividend and directors' extra remuneration of \$75,815, leaving a net balance of \$28,500, which has to be added to the profit for the past year, \$50,300, making in all \$78,800. It was proposed to pay a ten per cent dividend and to carry forward \$26,800. The profit for the past year not being so favorable as before is laid to the fact that the light opera season was not a very big financial success, and the same remark applied to the autumn drama, "The Great Day." In alluding to the requisitions made upon them by the landlords as to the renovations and repairs to the building, Butt stated that they proposed to close the theater and undertake such alterations as would give the theater the best seating accommodation possible and thus bring it into line with modern requirements, but that this would entail an enormous expenditure. In order thus to make the theater national in character as well as in name the directors were seriously considering the calling up of the unpaid capital to meet some part of the proposed expenditure.

JAMES W. MATHEWS MANAGING FOR HACKETT

Instead of returning to the States after completing his engagement with Laurette Taylor "Our Jimmy" is down at the Aldwych with Hackett and has had to straighten out a bit of an argument with several members of the Actors' Association who were engaged as "walking gentlemen" at \$15. They thought that under the Actors' Association rules they were entitled to half salaries for rehearsals, but they only got \$5.62, at which they kicked. Mathews explained they were paid at the rate of one-eighth for each rehearsal and, curiously enough, the officials of the A. A. stood for it. The A. A. men themselves were very sore with all concerned and it is said that this way of handling matters is not to the prestige of the A. A.

A STRIKE IN MINIATURE

The spirit of strike is in the air, and it was quite within the order of things for the latest trouble to happen among the "crowd-workers" in a recent film. The A. A. Agency seems to be the main cause of the misunderstanding. The news went round that the A. A. Agency was engaging men for "crowd work" for a fight scene, which was to be "shot" at the National Sporting Club. It was rumored that the engagement was for two hours only and as the fee offered by the A. A. Agency was only \$2.60 this length of time had some color of truth. The A. A. Agency employed only those who carried the A. A. or V. A. F. card, but afterwards as the demand exceeded the supply non-unionists were gladly taken on. So far so good. The crowd assembled at 10 o'clock; the hours dragged till when it came near 1:30; then trouble started, and the crowd refused to work—or at least that part of the crowd which had been engaged for the non-dress suit parts, these latter being engaged at \$3.75. The \$2.60 lot sent a deputation to T. Therridge, the producer, who disclaimed any knowledge of the value of English money, and that he didn't want "actors," but just the casual labor stuff. After some talk the financial man raised the money for the \$2.60 lot to \$3.75, and it was thought that the trouble was over. Not so. Toos now the dress-suit brigade wanted a like raise. An impromptu strike was called; some obeyed the call, some didn't, and the producer went on with the picture with those who stayed on the floor. More parley and more talks with the financial man, and at last he gave those concerned in the evening dress stuff \$4.37, but this they took under protest. Now it must be candidly admitted this sort of thing does no organization, neither the A. A. nor the V. A. F., any good, and the reflex action may be rather difficult as far as progress is concerned. It has since been ascertained that quite a number of the agitators posed as A. A.'s and V. A. F.'s and were in fact not members. One known man of this class is a ne'er-do-well, and another is well known to the police. But they will be looked upon as union men, and thus the unions concerned get the kicks. The fault lay, as we stated in the head of this paragraph, in the A. A. Agency daring to offer "crowd workers" \$2.60 for a day's work. Even the regular agents have never dared to offer less than \$3.75, so how the A. A. people can reconcile their action is impossible to imagine.

NOT REALLY—ELLALINE TERRIS TO FAREWELL

Having had the announcement of the farewell of Seymour Hicks, and we wished he had kept his word and not come back to produce the works of ex-enemies, we have the announcement that his wife, Ellaline, will make a farewell tour. Is it but that these announcements are made in order to make the contradictions the sooner?



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W. S. CHERRY ATTRactions

Have Excellent Start at Norwood, O.—
Outfit Neat and Elaborate—Ex-
perienced Executives on the
Staff

The W. S. Cherry Attractions got off to what may be truthfully termed a flying start on November 8, in Moose Temple, Norwood, O. While the indoor exposition game is a comparatively new one for Manager Cherry, so far as the intricate details and work of manipulation are concerned, his many years of successful outdoor carnival experience have served to make him thoroughly practical, and in the frameup of his newly organized outfit, as seen in Norwood, he has succeeded in demonstrating very plainly and conclusively that he has a clear conception of the requirements for a winning indoor celebration.

On entering the Norwood Moose Temple the first striking impression of the experienced midway visitor was that it was all a Cherry creation. The Cherry way of doing things was conspicuously in evidence, from the artistic decorations to the almost lavish display of the illumination arrangements. At the Norwood opening there was a total of 10 concession booths, but this lineup is to be augmented by at least four more this week in Newport, Ky., where an increase of floor space admits of a material expansion.

A bright red predominates in the color scheme of the booth decoration, and it is the plan of the management to relieve this by painting the overhead arches in white and gold, arrangements for which are already under way. Another creditable point of good taste is the uniformity of the height, length and width of the booths. On this point the management appears to have exercised the most careful precision. At the end of every booth is a tapering column or pillar, eight feet high and adorned at the top with a large frosted electric light bulb. These columns are joined together by artistically constructed cross arms, depending from which are a profusion of vari-colored incandescent lamps. Similarly constructed cross arms with incandescent illumination also extend across from the summit of the columns to the merchandise stands.

More evidence of practicability on the part of the management is shown in the very important detail of organization, and in this respect Mr. Cherry may be credited with having wisely surrounded himself with people who are competent in their respective lines of endeavor. In nearly every instance these are executives and helpers with experience, fully seasoned and ripened in the indoor fair and bazaar game. For his right hand man in the booking of the outfit the roster shows that the general manager has the helpful aid and co-operation of Col. L. C. Beckwith as general representative. Harry E. Bonnell, last season prominent celebration promoter in the East, and just recently engaged on a promotion in Dayton, O., for the J. S. Miller Bazaar and Exposition Company, is now with the Cherry Attractions in a like capacity. In fact it was for the express purpose of going in advance of the Cherry Attractions that Bonnell recently came from New York City. Sam Lawrence, one of the best known and most generally capable of concessioners, is the Cherry concession manager, and, incidentally, he has a financial interest in the Cherry No. 1 outfit. Another conspicuous and familiar figure on the Cherry indoor "midway" is Harry Marcens, late of the J. S. Miller Company. Marcus happens to be presiding over the cigar and cigaret concession.

Here is the remainder of the concession lineup: Fruit stand, Frank Hazeltine; blankets, John Poynter; ham and bacon, Mrs. John Poynter; Chinese baskets, Nat. T. Eagle; candy, Mrs. Sam Lawrence; silk shirts, Bobbie Moore; dolls and teddy bears, "Whitey" Hagererty; chicken stand, Eddie Owens; groceries, Mrs. Eddie Owens; hoopla, Annie George.

W. C. Hester is auditor and private secretary to Manager Cherry. "Slim" Eaton is the official decorator.

The free attractions include Betty Jordan, soprano soloist; Montana Jack Ray, rope spinning expert, and Esberger's jazz orchestra.

This week's engagement in Newport, Ky., is under the auspices of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.—HABO.

BIG INDOOR CIRCUS

Chicago North Side Resort Has a Wonderful Attraction

Chicago, Nov. 14.—The Greater Chicago Indoor Super Circus and Exposition opened in the Armory at 575 Broadway last evening with a blast and flourish that presage good things for the function. The Armory is one of the finest stadiums in Chicago, and the scene was one of the most interesting. Located away up on the North Shore, in a part of the city peopled by rich persons, the exposition should, and doubtless will, make a huge success.

This exposition is under the Marsh-Davenport management. Harry McKay is in full charge of all concessions, and Walter Johnson, long with Riverview Park, is the active superintendent of this department. Chas. Marsh is in active charge of the staging of all of the productions, and—Charley knows how.

Among the concessioners are: O. Brown, merry-go-round; Mike Doerr, whip; Kemp Bros., Swiss exhibit; H. R. McGraw, groceries; Lewis & Oakes, fruit wheel; Zebbie Fisher, blankets; Sam Spellman, Chinese baskets; John Conway, hams and bacon; A. Brarud and wife, dolls; Mike Doerr and Bonnie Samuels, turkey wheel; J. Phillip, tipup joint; L. Werner, candy wheel; M. K. Hirsch, flowers; "Big Tom," dolls; Mrs.

Tom Rankin, "mit" reader; John Pollitt, banners.

"Doc" Palmer, fresh from the Sells-Floto side-shows, has a list of attractions. Among them are The Glassblowers, The Man-Ape, Prince Otto, Midget; The Mystic Wonder Worker; Sanlow, The Big Snake; Tika and Sulu, Zanzibar Pinheads; The Happy Family of Monks, The Circassian Beauty, The Price Agowab, African pygmy, and Eddie, the Skeleton Dude.

"Doc" Marsh is putting on one of the best performances that that finished showman has put on for a long time. And "Doc" is some showman, in the opinion of the writer. Among "Doc's" acts are The Riding Crandalls, The Three Clowns, The Four Royal Japs, Ruth Hendrix on the flying ladder, Dainty Esther Marine on the traps and web. Other acts are Smith's Animals, The Toe Slide, Lester, Bell and Griffin, and the Hamilton Sisters. And one of the very best of all, Robinson's Elephants.

"Curley" Noonan (most everybody in the circus business knows "Curley") is in charge of the Robinson "bells," of course. He has been in charge of them for eight years, and, by the way, "Curley" was with the Hippodrome in New York for a similar period. A rather sad accident marred the show, but it didn't get to the big audience. As Johnny Robinson and "Curley" were taking The Billboard representative thru the parlor of the elephants, "Mother Cleopatra" deftly snatched the reporter's notes from his hands and ate them. It took the scribe three hours to go back and get them all over again.

The Crandalls are just back from a South American tour with the Bostocks, where they played for two years. Leo Hamilton, 13 years with the Sells-Floto Shows, is assistant to "Doc" Marsh, as equestrian director. He will join the Sells-Floto Show in the Coliseum next spring again.

The Sixth Reg. Inf. Band played, and it is some band. The armory is one of the most beautiful and spacious in Chicago. The initial attendance was good. The Marsh-Davenport interests should do well.

LORMAN WITH SHEERAN

In Central Bazaar and Expo. Co.

John L. Lorman, of the Lorman-Robinson Shows, will be Joe Sheeran's partner in the new company, the Central Bazaar and Exposition Co., which they are launching. Mr. Lor-

man will be business manager back with the show, while Mr. Sheeran will act as general manager and agent. Both are seasoned showmen and should push the venture to gratifying success.

The opening stand, Clarksville, Tenn., November 26 to December 6, gives promise of proving an excellent start, as both the American Legion and the business men are hustling toward this end. Mr. Sheeran is now in Indiana, making spots for early showing after the New Year's, he Federal Decorating Co., of Evansville, has men working on the building at Clarksville, and all the booths for the merchants' displays have been sold.

Prof. Bowen and his Family Band have been booked for the lullaby work, while Prof. Tom Goritzke's Jazz Orchestra of six pieces will play for the circus and vaudeville acts, also the dancing. The free attractions for the opening engagement comprise Prof. King, magic; John Robertson, animal act; Cle & Wood, musical act, and Bernard & Bernard in a circus act. The shows booked are Prof. King's Illusions, "Stella," snake exhibition; "The Girl, the Devil and the Bonfire," and "Jolly Bonita," a big bunch of smiles and sunshine.

It is the intention of Messrs. Lorman and Sheeran to work out new ideas, and "Song Nights" and "Fashion Shows," as suggested by The Billboard, will be tried out.

COLE DIRECTING BIG EVENT

Hamilton, Ont., Can., Nov. 13.—Al S. Cole, the popular bazaar promoter, arrived here recently from New York to direct the Veterans of France Indoor Bazaar, which will be held in the old Armories week of December 13. After a conference with the committee Mr. Cole started over a thousand women workers of the ticket division to selling advance tickets. From present indications this event promises to be one of the biggest affairs of its kind ever held in this city, now being heavily billed "circus" fashion. Owing to the strength of the auspices and its worthy cause the local press is taking kindly to the "show" and has already given it favorable advance consideration.

J. Harry Allen, the well-known New York free act booker, has been awarded the contract to supply all the free act features, of which there will be a very large variety. The musical program promises to be an exceptional one. Dancing will be one of the diversions.

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NEW MUSEUM OPENS

C. H. Armstrong Will Charge Twenty-Cent Admission at Place in Times Square District

New York, Nov. 13.—Armstrong's World Wonders, a museum that opened tonight at the corner of Seventh avenue and 41st street, is the second of its kind to furnish Broadway with thrills within the past twelve months. The first museum to open on Broadway was in the old Globe Cafe and ran very successfully for several months. A twenty-cent admission will be charged at the World Wonders. Among the acts at the museum for the opening are Ed Zeilo, strong man, billed as the American Sampson; the Venetian Glass Blowers; Prof. Holman, Man of Mystery, who will do an escape act; the Marvels, mind readers; the Missing Link; H. R. Cross and Prince Lowrie, sword swallower. C. H. Armstrong, proprietor of the Museum, was for twelve years in charge of side-shows at Riverside Park, Chicago, and for three years at Coney Island.

CONVEY & McKAY

Booking Attractions and Concessions for "Toyland Show" at the Coliseum, Chicago

Chicago, Nov. 12.—Messrs. Convey & McKay are working on the booking of concessions, side-shows and circus act for the third annual Toyland Show to be given this season in the Coliseum here, under the auspices of the Red, White and Blue Club, Incorporated, for the benefit of the children of the streets. This club is made up of leading society women of Chicago, and is headed by Mrs. Joseph G. Coleman, who has been active in all of Chicago's leading charities. On the committee are many prominent women, most of whom were very active in the "Atlantic City Boardwalk" productions given last Christmas at the Coliseum.

A search is being made for the best concessions, side-shows, mechanical shows, riding devices, etc., and they are looking a great many stores for the handling of Christmas merchandise. A special committee of women has been appointed, whose duty it will be to provide a toy for every child, to be presented by "Santa Claus," who will have as his reception committee the famous Bert Earle Midgets, who will act as "Mr. and Mrs. Doll."

Robert Hughes closed a contract today for his Eli ferris wheel, W. O. Brown, for his three-breasted merry-go-round, and negotiations are pending with Mike Doerr for his whip. M. L. Bodkins is making an effort to install the new side called "Dodge."

PIMLICO AMUSEMENT CO.

Formed by Harry Bentum, J. W. Berry and James L. Ring at Baltimore

Baltimore, Nov. 11.—Harry Bentum, J. W. Berry and James L. Ring have formed a partnership and are operating a general amusement business, under the name of the Pimlico Amusement Co., with offices in the Emerson Tower Building, Baltimore.

They have contracted with the American Legion for an indoor "circus and bazaar" at Richmond Market Armory here, week of December 6, also a big "Frolic," under auspices of the Knights of Pythias, week of December 13.

NEW TOY BALLOON FACTORY

Ravenna, O., Nov. 11.—One million dollars worth of toy balloons a year is the capacity of a factory just completed here. It promises to become one of the best known to concessioners with outdoor and indoor festivities. It will produce nothing but toy balloons, and will employ 100 workmen at the start and later the force will be augmented.

BAZAAR AT WOONSOCKET, R. I.

Woonsocket, R. I., Nov. 13.—A bazaar and dance carnival will be given here November 25 to December 2 in the State armory, auspices 12th Co. R. I. C. A. National Guard.

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BAZAAR—ETTES

Col. L. C. Beckwith, general representative for the W. S. Cherry Attractions, has the Cherry bazaar outfit booked solid until the Christmas time layoff and has gone to Frankfort, Ind., where he will stage an automobile promotion for General Manager Cherry, under the auspices of the local lodge of Elks.

Special Representative Harry Row writes that his bazaar promotion last week for the J. S. Miller Company, under the auspices of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, at Lima, O., while showing a substantial profit, did not come up to his original expectation of the gross receipts. "Foreign influences" of various sorts, he declares, had their usual detrimental effect on the final results.

Harry Marcus, of the W. S. Cherry Attractions, is a concessioner to whom the bazaar game is not a new institution. Marcus had a very practical indoor schooling in the East last summer with the old master, John W. Moore.

Harry E. Bonnell, of the W. S. Cherry forces, is already on the ground for his pre-Christmas-time promotion for that organization under the auspices of the local lodge of Elks at Kokomo, Ind., and hints strongly that in addition to a popular baby and favorite baby voting contest he will put on a combination prize competitive event. This latter promotion is a favorite with Bonnell, in whose opinion it has both the auto- and "cash gold" stunts "beat a mile," as he puts it.

Ed H. Bell, F. W. Bell and Miss Elsie, of the "Elsie" show, all late of the Rubin & Cherry Shows, were callers at the New York offices of The Billboard last week. They have signed for indoor bazaar with Perry & Gorman, opening at the Second Field Artillery Armory November 18. This trio of show people has re-engaged with Rubin & Cherry for next season, and the management is expected to build an elaborate platform for the "Elsie" attraction.

George H. Coleman passed thru New York last week en route to points East, where the Coleman-Goodwin Company is booked.

M. J. Schachter, representing the Rockland Slipper Company, of Rockland, Mass., is in New York, making his headquarters at the Somerset Hotel. This firm plans an invasion of the bazaar field with several novelties. It will open offices on upper Broadway at an early date.

W. P. Hamilton called at The Billboard's New York office last week and stated that he is now active in the promotion of a number of indoor events.

William Glick is expected to make an announcement soon that will prove of great interest to the bazaar and indoor show world.

A Bazaar is to be staged in the near future at South Bend, Ind., under the auspices of the American Legion. Vic Miller, well known in carnival circles, is the promoter of the event, and Messrs. Ross and Rackin are managers. Events of a like nature are said to be booked in three other towns by the management.

M. P. EXPO. IN ATLANTA

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 12.—The Southeastern Motion Picture Exposition will be held in a large auditorium in this city week December 6.

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NORRISTOWN DATE OFF

New York, Nov. 13.—H. G. Steen, of Franklin & Steen, writes The Billboard from Baltimore, Nov. 11: "On account of not being able to secure a suitable hall our Norristown Bazaar date has been called off. Our first one will be the L. O. F. Bazaar at Dundalk, Md., a suburb of Baltimore. As far as possible we have advised everyone interested that the Norristown date has been called off."

WALLACE ATTRACTIONS

Nelsonville, O., Nov. 11.—The Wallace Attractions, the indoor show of the Wallace Midway Attractions, are playing a few "inside" dates. Jack Richards is doing the promoting, and the company has been playing his dates since the middle of September.

Last week at New Straightsville, O., in the Opera House and under the auspices of the Elks, twenty concessions were in the lineup

and every one did fair business. This week in this city, under the auspices of the Eagles and in the Eagles Hall, there are as many concessions as space will permit.

The company will open its outdoor carnival season about the middle of April. It will be a six-car caravan, with five shows, two rides, thirty concessions, band and free act.—LKE.

ACCUSES CHARLES KING

Mrs. E. F. Warren, of Newark, N. J., has made a complaint against Charles (Shorty) King in regard to a financial transaction.

MRS. FIANCE LOVELL PASSES

Chicago, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Fiance Lovell, 75 years old, died November 9 in Durham, N. C., of infirmities due to old age. Mrs. Lovell was well known in the carnival world, having been with the Patterson Shows for the past twelve years. On the show with her were three

sons and three daughters. They are: Mrs. T. O. Foster, Mrs. H. C. Foherty, Mrs. George McMillan, and Tom, Charles and Leonard Lovell. Six other children, all nonprofessionals, also survive. Interment was had in Greenwood Cemetery, Grand Crossing, Ill., this week. The body was brought from Durham by Mr. Foster, of the Great Patterson Shows, a son-in-law.

MATHEYS APPRECIATIVE

The Billboard has received the following letter of appreciation from Mrs. M. E. Mathey, who resides at 74 Green street (basement), Newark, N. J.:

"Will you kindly thank the people for us, those who were so kind to us, in answer to our appeal in The Billboard three weeks ago? "We received \$32 in all, and it certainly did us good. Out of it we paid two weeks' room rent, which was \$14; our doctor bill, and were able to get some nourishing food. We also thank you for your interest in our case."

WILLIE PORTER, NOTICE!

The Billboard received a letter last week from Mattie Porter, Kensington, Ga., as follows:

"Willie Porter—Your brother, Napoleon, died on November 4 and Nettle is calling for you. She is poorly. Also, Tom is dying. I wrote Bessie for you and her mother wrote that Bessie is dying in a hospital. Last heard from you when you were with the Harry C. Mohr Shows on September 1. Come home to your heartbroken sister at once."

Anyone knowing Willie Porter's whereabouts kindly call his attention to the above.

JOHNSON TO HAVE OWN SHOW

New York, Nov. 10.—Mrs. E. K. Johnson, wife of the contest agent of the Rubin & Cherry Shows, stopped over in New York this week on her way to Boston. She reports Mr. Johnson has enjoyed a prosperous season and is planning to take out his own show next year.

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P. S.—Would like to hear from all my friends. Will be in Chicago from November 25th to December 5th.

CARNIVAL AND CIRCUS NEWS

OTIS ADAMS FOUND DEAD

Was Well-Known Outdoor Showman and Former Carnival Owner

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 12.—Otis L. Adams, the well-known carnival showman and former owner and manager of the Otis L. Adams Shows, was found dead in his room at the St. John Hotel here last evening. The coroner's verdict was that death was due to natural causes.

Of late years Mr. Adams had been connected with other organizations than his own. Season of 1919 he had charge of the Plantation Show with Smith's Greater Shows, and closed the season with them at Woodland, N. C., after which he and Mrs. Adams and their two children went to Norfolk, Va., where they spent the greater part of the winter, with frequent visits to Mrs. Adams' sister in Baltimore. While in Norfolk Mr. Adams had a small lump form on his neck, for which he underwent an operation, at which time his physician advised that he had a cancer. After the operation he was getting along nicely, until spring, when the lump moved to the other side of his neck. At this time he had charge of the Plantation Show with the George W. Johnston Shows. He again underwent an operation, but to no material benefit, and his physician prescribed radium, of which he took two treatments at Gallipolis, O., which gave him only temporary relief. Mr. Adams left the George W. Johnston Shows in Lohair, Ky., and joined the Great American Shows at Rock Mart, Ga., for the fair season in the South. His health was so bad, however, that he closed with the latter organization last week at Walterboro, S. C., and left Sunday for Atlanta, Ga., for further treatment. He stopped off in Charleston on his way from Atlanta to Baltimore, and was on the show grounds of the Great American Shows all day on Wednesday, up until 8:30, when he complained of not feeling well, and went to his hotel. When he did not make his appearance on the show grounds Thursday his friends made inquiries at the hotel and when the locked door of his room was opened Mr. Adams seemed apparently asleep. The physician stated that he had been dead about seven or eight hours.

Mrs. Adams, who had gone on to Baltimore, was notified, and arrived in Charleston this morning (Friday), and left tonight with the remains of her husband for Baltimore, where interment will be made. Mr. Adams was a member of the Elks, Knights of Pythias and the Moose. The Elks' lodge of Charleston held impressive funeral services at a local undertaking parlor, which were attended by members of the Great American Shows.

His friends were legion, and the show world mourns with the widow and her children in their deepest hour of bereavement.

ARTHUR HOFFMAN HONORED

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 11.—Proof of the popularity of Arthur Hoffman, manager of the side-show of the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus, was given here last Sunday, when performers in his "division" presented him with a handsome gold watch and a Shrine pin, set in diamonds.

The presentation speech was made by Louis Chase, at the farewell dinner. He spoke on behalf of the side-show people, and paid a tribute to Hoffman's ability and popularity.

The recipient, altho known as one of the best among outdoor speakers in front of the big paintings, appeared "lost" when it became necessary for him to respond, perhaps because he is accustomed to speaking to the crowd, not members of his own aggregation. In a very brief speech he expressed his thanks, the occasion coming as such a surprise that, for once in his life he appeared bewildered. "About all I can say, in conclusion," he said, "is that I thank you, one and all, from the bottom of my heart."

E. K. JOHNSON GOES HOME

Edward K. Johnson, special agent with the Rubin & Cherry Shows, following the close of the season for that organization at Orangeburg, S. C., left for his home in Philadelphia for a week's visit with his wife and children, after which he and Mrs. Johnson will leave for Chicago. In a recent letter to The Billboard Mr. Johnson states the season was both very pleasant and successful, and he pronounces Rubia

Gruberg one of the greatest managers he has ever worked for and "that grand old soul, Wilbur S. Cherry, one of the best and one of the few general agents to follow that one does not have to square misleading statements."

GEO. SCOTT SHOWS CLOSE

Hartford, Ark., Nov. 10.—The George Scott Shows closed here Saturday night, after a successful 39 weeks' tour. Mr. and Mrs. Scott were the recipients of many handshakes and farewells, as the various members boarded trains, some for other shows and others for their respective homes. The majority of them joined the Bliss Greater Shows at Heavener, Ok. After a couple weeks in Kansas City Mr. and Mrs. Scott will return South, to Fort Smith, Ark., where they will spend the winter.

WORTHAM'S WORLD'S BEST

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 11.—In spite of the fact that Wortham's World's Best Shows lost one full day and half of another in their week at the Cotton Palace Exposition at Waco, Tex., they left the city with a new record. Those of former years were shot to pieces many ways. This covers both the attendance and the receipts. Frank Lentini, the Italian three-legged wonder, and Johan Aason, the Norwegian giant, were pitted against each other, right at the neck of the midway. It was nip-and-tuck between them all week, but the figures of the auditor are secrets, so that godnatured bantering as to which did the biggest business still goes on. Waco was a wonderful week. Pauline Black and her diving girls in the Water Show played incessantly to big crowds that went away boosting.

From Waco the shows came to San Antonio to stage the amusements at the Amistice Week Festival, offered under the auspices of Alamo Post No. 2, American Legion. They occupied Bowen's Island lots, to which a school boy can almost throw a baseball from the main streets. The shows were late in arriving, being caught behind a derailment. However, the "family" worked like Trojans and spotted the wagons during the night. The next dawn found them on the job and "raining to go."

At San Antonio, which is one of the rialtos of Dixie, the Wortham Shows had a grand reception. In the surrounding country are many other shows, and these were liberally repre-

sented in a big, self-appointed reception committee. Inasmuch as this committee saw fit to elect itself, George Dunovan automatically elected himself chairman of it. Walter Stanley, of Wortham's World's Greatest Exposition Shows, who recently "banqueted" himself at Dallas on his birthday, dropped in town and paid the shows a visit.—BEVERLY WHITE.

SMITH GREATER SHOWS

The Smith Greater Shows enjoyed splendid business at the Albany (Ga.) Fair, and the crowds beat all previous records. The Albany Herald, one of Georgia's leading dailies, devoted much space to the Smith attractions, and everybody seemed pleased with the fair management for the excellence of the shows, free attractions, etc., provided.

Among the visitors to the shows recently were: Jim Marco, of the famous Marco Twins; Adolph Seeman, general superintendent of the Rubin & Cherry Shows, looking just as young as ever. "Triamp" Friedman brought a cold spell with him, and the day he left the sun came out again. Mike Canale stopped off on his way to Florida for the winter.

Last week the Smith Greater Shows played at Thomasville, Ga., and, owing to some local conditions, were compelled to show outside the city limits. Nevertheless it was a profitable week.

It seems to be pretty well assured that this caravan will stay out until Christmas, several good dates having been offered to Business Manager Chris M. Smith. Mrs. Yarborough, wife of the bandmaster, has left for her home in Columbia, S. C. Captain Moore, with his Society Circus, will play some indoor bazaar dates this winter, with his show intact. Frank E. Nisley, secretary-treasurer, is considering some offers he has received for next season. Mrs. Adams has taken over the big Circus Side-Show, featuring the midget, Prince William. Ed K. Smith now has his own cookhouse for his employees on the merry-go-round, whip and tango swings.

KENNEDY SHOWS SCORE FAVOR

Oscar C. B. Nau, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Cuero, Tex., and manager of the "Turkey Trot" festivities there, wired The Billboard November 14 as follows:

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BILLIE CLARK

Buys Tom Hasson's Interest in Famous Broadway Shows—Hasson Will Take Out Circus

Greensboro, N. C., Nov. 12.—Billie Clark has just purchased the interest of Tom Hasson in the Famous Broadway Shows, and is now sole owner and general manager of that organization, which will henceforth be known as Billie Clark's Broadway Shows. The entire outfit, including all Pullman, box, flat and stock cars; wagons, horses, animals and riding devices, it is said, was valued at \$55,000.

Plans as announced are that Mr. Hasson will go into the circus business, having made arrangements to take out a two-car organization, while Mr. Clark will continue with his carnival company.

WORLD AT HOME SHOWS

Mobile, Ala., Nov. 12.—Breaking all previous opening day records, approximately 10,000 people passed thru the turnstiles of the Mobile Fair on Monday to review the many exhibits. Expressing pleasure at the auspicious first day of the fair, which is being operated for the first time since 1917, when it suspended on account of the war, officials stated that more persons passed thru the gates than they had anticipated, altho they had expected a large attendance.

Thursday, Armistice Day, proved to be one of the bonner days of the week, when 40,000 people viewed the exhibits in the agricultural and woman's building, walked to and fro from the live stock shows, were amazed at the automobile building erected at a large cost by Mobile automobile men, for the special showing of the various models of machines; enjoyed the thrilling racing events, and found amusement in abundance on the midway.

The World at Home Shows furnished the midway attractions. The shows occupied a large space of ground near the entrance, and the attractive midway proved to be a pleasure center for fairgoers.

Success crowns the efforts of E. M. Bailey, president of the Mobile Fair, and Mort L. Bixler, general manager, who have made the event an interesting, entertaining and educational exposition.

ZEIDMAN & POLLIE EXPOSITION

Conway, S. C., Nov. 11.—The Horry County Fair, at Conway, S. C., is on, and business is away above expectation. This is the first fair in three years at this place, and during that time no carnival has been seen here. All shows and concessions are doing good business. The fair is being held on the main streets of the city, and the Zeidman & Pollie Exposition is furnishing the amusements. The fair association is highly pleased with the attractions, and it is proclaimed the largest carnival that has been seen in Conway.

From here the Zeidman & Pollie Exposition goes to Lancaster, S. C., for the American Legion Celebration and Lancaster County Free Fair. No carnival has been permitted to show in Lancaster in four years.—HOLLAND.

DAVID A. WISE SHOWS

Warrenton, Ga., Nov. 12.—Last week, at Covington, Ga., business was only fair until Saturday, when things picked up and everybody got in a good day's work. The Minstrel Show got top money, and Cotton Kent's "Arizona" show ran a close second. Doc Rogers, who has been associated with Cotton Kent, has accumulated his winter "bankroll" and has gone in for the winter. Mr. Kent will continue on the show with his "Arizona" and four concessions.

Jack Wallace received word yesterday that his wife had died, but reports today state that she was badly injured in an auto accident.

Among the new arrivals on the show are: Mr. and Mrs. Cantara and daughter, with four concessions; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Neal, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Herring, Mr. and Mrs. Will Grimes, Al Hendricks, D. W. (Bill) Taft, Mr. and Mrs. Frank South, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Guthrie. Frank South is doing the electrical work, while Mrs. South is kept busy with her cigar shooting gallery. J. T. Wright now has charge of the swing. Jimmy Smith, who has been in poor health, left for New Orleans yesterday.

The shows go from here to Thompson, Ga.—MRS. D. WISE.

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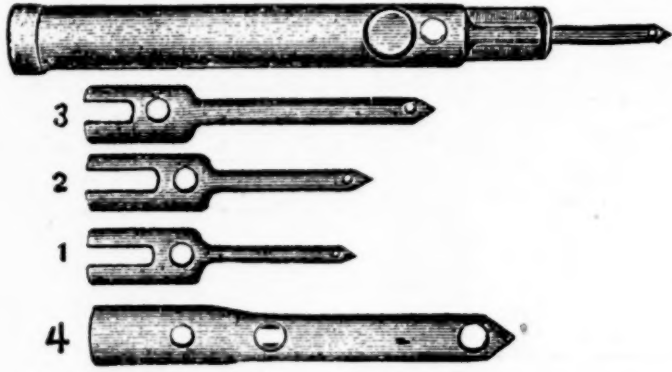
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Mae Desmond and her players, at the Orpheum Stock, added more laurels this week with the excellent presentation of "A Tailor-Made Man" to big attendance.

R. F. Kelth's Chestnut Street vaudeville house celebrated its 18th anniversary this week. The theater was handsomely decorated and ran a fine vaudeville bill.

Met Louis Lesser, the popular manager of the "Bathing Beauties," playing the Trocadero this week, and a mighty fine show. Louis spoke highly of Helen Lloyd, the sobriet; Jack Hunt, the comedian; Ray King, straight man, and the chorus; and, looking them over, we found them much more than what he stated. Big business.

Met George Lawrence, an oldtime circus man with the big shows and who has just opened a rooming house at 703 N. Eighth street.

Ed Finnigan, the carnival promoter, from Newark, N. J., dropped in town and we met at the cozy winter quarters of the Ruppel Greater Shows. "Ed" has some good ones for the indoors this coming winter.

Met Princess Arendts, the Oriental dancer, who was at the "Troc" some time ago and is now busy booking clubs. Was stopping at "Dad's" Hotel and making some big bets in and around Philly. By the way, "Dad's" Hotel will shortly change hands.

Paid a visit to the University Hospital and had a chat with our Baltimore Billboard representative, E. Edmunds Foster, who has undergone a successful operation for a dislocated shoulder. He expects to be about in about two weeks.

Joe Perry, the Jew comedian, formerly of the vaudeville act, Perry and Elliott, and who has been producing manager for four years at the Academy Theater, Pittsburg (now on the American Wheel), and who also produced for this season the Jack Reid Show, expects to sign up for some business at the Gayety Theater soon. Joe and I renewed oldtime memories when we worked on the same bill in vaudeville years ago.

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The Footlight Club, of Philadelphia, meets every Monday night at Room 10, 1305 Arch street, and is doing most excellent work. Club acts staying in town this winter who are not members will do well to pay them a visit. The officers are: Dr. Earl C. Rice, president; Harry H. Cunliffe, vice-president; John Cook, secretary; Emily Long, financial secretary; Miss M. Fontaine, assistant financial secretary; William E. Reynolds, treasurer, and Harry E. Laws. The present membership is nearly 300.

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OBITUARIES

BATES—Mrs. Jeannette Fuller, former actress and wife of Warren Bates, an actor, died November 9, at her home in New York City. She was born in Maryland, and went to New York twenty years ago.

BENTLEY—Nora Asquith, Red Cross nurse and cousin of Flo Rockwood, the dancer, died October 19 at Horbury, England. She was with a hospital corps in Belgium and was a German prisoner at one time. Her three children survive.

BRANDON—Harriet Caroline (nee Slusser), passed away at the home of Mrs. Ben Huntley, her daughter, in Winona, Wis., October 20, after a severe illness of several weeks. Mrs. Brandon was born in July, 1860. She is survived by three brothers, John and Stephen Slusser of Grand Rapids, Wis., and Frank H. Slusser, of North Yakima, Wash., and one sister, Mrs. Emma Hibbard, of Spokane, Wash.; one daughter, Mrs. Ben Huntley; one adopted son, Harvey A. Brandon, of La Crosse, Wis., and one grandson, Howard Huntley. In 1894, after her marriage to William Brandon, she became a professional entertainer and remained in that work for some fifteen years, creating an extended acquaintance among the theatrical profession throughout the Middle West. The deceased was extremely active in several fraternal orders, holding offices of highest importance in the orders of Royal Neighbors and the Pythian Sisters. She was also a member of the Daughters of Pocomontas. Funeral services were held at the home October 23. Interment was made at Woodlawn, with special burial service of the Pythian Sisters.

BROOKS—Ellis, bandmaster, died in the Blessing Hospital, Quincy, Ill., November 11. Death was the result of an operation. At the time of his death he was director of the Illinois State Band. He will be remembered as opening the Winter Garden in New Orleans ten years ago with the Chicago Marine Band. Mr. Brooks was 78 years old.

CONTINO—Maria, a member of the team of Contino and Lawrence, vaudeville dancers, died November 7, at Bellevue Hospital, New York. She was the wife of Ernest Lawrence, the partner in her act, and was 45 years of age.

DEMPSEY—H. W. (Horace), age 43, died November 6, at Bakersfield, Calif. Mr. Dempsey was for years on the executive staff of the C. A. Wortham Enterprises, and shortly before his death filled the position of trainmaster with the Greater Alamo Shows. He was born in 1877, and is survived by his mother, sister and brother. The body was sent to Ft. Scott, Kan., for burial.

DOCKRAY—William J., a well-known black-face comedian, known also as "The Jersey Boy," died of heart failure at his home in Ridgewood, N. J., November 6. He was 45 years of age, and had played nearly all the big-time circuits. Mr. Dockray retired from the profession about two years ago, and succeeded in establishing a flourishing real estate and insurance business at Ridgewood.

DRAKE—Amanda, wife of E. Drake, former showman, and mother of C. B. Drake, concessioner the past season with the Eureka attractions, died recently at her home in Charleston, Illinois.

DUNHAM—Mrs. Mary Ann Dixon, mother of Henry E. Dixey, well-known playwright and theatrical man, died Friday, November 12, at her home in Stamford, Conn. The body was taken to Boston for burial.

FESSENDEN—Nellie L., wife of Wallace C. Fessenden, well known in turf circles, died November 6, in New York, as the result of an operation. She was 49 years of age.

GEORGE—A. E., well-known English actor, died in London November 10, of bronchitis, after an illness of three weeks. He first appeared in Benson's Shakespearean Company in 1889. Last winter he played the lead in "The Crimson Alibi" at the Strand, London, and was with Moscovitch's "The Great Lover" at the time of his death.

GOTTLIEB—Charles, billposter, for years with the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Shows, and a member of the Billposters' Union, Philadelphia Local 4, died of malaria fever in Philadelphia the first part of November. He was 45 years old. Interment was in New York City.

GUARD—Mrs. Raymond, of "Brunk's Comedians," was run over by an automobile November 1, at Mekeel, Tex., and died November 9. The remains were taken to Decatur, Ill., for burial.

HENDRICKSON—Henry, well known in chautauqua circles, died in Chicago November 8. He was blind from his first year, but reared a family of eight children, earning his living by writing and lecturing.

HERMAN—LaRosa, formerly well known in vaudeville, died at her home in New York November 4. She was in her 70th year. She is survived by her husband, Charles Herman.

HOLLINGER—Mrs. Martin, sister of Mrs. Alice Fisher Harcourt, known professionally as Alice Fisher, died November 7, at the home of her daughter in Muncie, Ind. Besides her daughter her mother and two sisters survive.

HOPKINS—Charles, a "stunt" flyer, was killed November 7 at Beloit, Wis., when he jumped from an airplane at an altitude of 1,000 feet with a parachute which failed to open until he was nearly to the ground. He was 37 years old.

KNUEFFER—Paul, celebrated basso of the Royal Opera House, Berlin, Germany, died in that city last week. He was an authority on voice culture, and the husband of Gertrude Normand Smith, American composer, now visiting in the United States.

LOVELL—Mrs. Fiance, 75 years old, with the Patterson Shows for the past twelve years, died November 9, in Durham, N. C., of infirmities due to old age. She is survived by twelve children, six of whom are professionals. The body was interred in Greenwood Cemetery, Grand Crossing, Ill.

PALMER—Charles, assistant editor of "John Bull," died October 23, of pneumonia, in England. Mr. Palmer represented the Actors' Association in the House of Commons, and at one time was the editor of The Globe. He was an esteemed member of the Institute of Journalists, and the Critics' Circle.

RAMEY—Marie Alma, vaudeville performer and well-known member of several stock companies, was murdered in Grant Park, Chicago, November 14.

RAYNIS—George W., a member of Local 18, I. A. T. S. E., and No. 8, A. F. of M., both of Milwaukee, Wis., died in Eau Claire, Wis., on October 31, of tuberculosis of the throat. He was 50 years old, and at one time was a well-known member of the Lawrence Russell and Sherman Platt attractions. Later he was with William Faversham in "The Fawn" and "Julus Caesar."

ROSE—Clarence E., known also as Jack or Reggie Rose, died of pneumonia at Melport, Sask., Can., recently. He is survived by two children and was 34 years old.

SCUSSEL—Henry, age 30, died of heart failure November 1. He was connected with the K. & E. forces, and was one of the originators of the Treasurers' Club, Chicago. A wife survives.

STRATTON—Campbell, well-known Shakespearean actor, died at his home in St. Paul, Minn., October 5.

THOMPSON—Lillian, well known in carnival circles, was found dead November 14 on the shores of Lake Michigan, in Grant Park, Chicago, the results of foul play. Up to the present writing no trace has been found of the guilty parties.

WALSH—William, stage carpenter at the Hippodrome Theater, Cleveland, O., died November 8 from the effects of injuries received

secretary-treasurer. Offices have been opened in the Indiana Trust Bldg., Indianapolis, and a folder issued by the new corporation states that this is an Indiana enterprise, which gives the public an opportunity to become part owner. The stock is divided into \$100,000 worth of preferred and \$100,000 of common stock, 1,000 shares of each with a par value of \$100 per share. One share of common stock will be given with each purchase of two shares of preferred stock. It is the intention of the Gentry Circus Corporation to purchase, organize, build and operate circuses and other amusement enterprises given under tents.

SCHAEFER AND CAMPBELL

Organizing Indoor Company

An indoor company is being organized by S. C. Schaefer and Doc Collin L. Campbell to make a circuit of dates under the auspices of the Golden Heart. The opening engagement will be played at Covington, Ky. (in the Market House), December 6 to 11. This announcement was made by Messrs. Schaefer and Campbell, who were callers at The Billboard office Monday afternoon.

Keeney's Theater, Newark

(Reviewed Tuesday, November 9)

Walter Brooks took "Fifty-Fifty," a former musical comedy that had a Broadway run, and did what a lot of other producers are doing—made a vaudeville act of it. As a vaudeville number it is an unqualified success. The producers claim that the wardrobe cost \$3,000, and they haven't lied. The act made its first vaudeville appearance this week at the Keeney house, and goes from here to Philadelphia, later going to New York, where it is assured a big-time booking. The act is called "The Winning Widows." The name is the only thing wrong with the production. There is an interesting book, the music is melodious, and the costumes are gorgeous. Chorus girls working in this act may consider themselves very well dressed in-

M. Rosener were handed the honors by a large and appreciative audience. Comedy prevailed throughout and the bill came almost to completion without an act pulling stall laughs to gain favor, the one exception being a complete failure Kinggrams.

James Evans and Louis Perez, in a sensational combination offering. Foot balancing with clever juggling, were well received. The finishing feature, that of balancing a miniature breakaway battleship on feet with the topmaster doing stunts "amidships," during a supposed battle before an ocean scene drop was exceedingly novel. Nineteen minutes, in four; special drops two bows.

Conroy and Howard, in a "before and after" (lean and plump) offering, programmed "Maid Made Mirth and Melody," went over nicely with their "kidding"—each other—and singing numbers. Thirteen minutes, in one; two bows.

Mrs. Gene Hughes and Company, in "Contented Peggy." The theme expressed in this playlet, by Emmett Devoy, is quite appropriate and permits Mrs. Hughes to display the full worth of her "Irish" characterization to the satisfaction and mirthful spirit of her audience. As "Peggy," she is a hit, and is capably assisted by J. C. Tremayne, as "Pat," the husband; Wm. T. Hays, the "Senator"; Dorothy Whitney, "Mrs. Platter," and Benson Bessler, the butler. Stopped the show. Twenty-three minutes; parlor interior in four; five curtains.

Josie Heather, in a pleasing "repertory of exclusive songs." This winsome little singing comedienne won instant and lasting favor. Her costumes were also quite commendable. She is assisted by John McLaughlin, at the piano, and Bobby Heather, in one number, and who uncovers her pretty dark brown locks while they were acknowledging appreciation after the finish. Seventeen minutes, in one; three bows; encore: two bows.

George M. Rosener, with his "Anthology of an Old Actor," commendably presented several characters, and also starting slow gained increasing appreciation and registered heavily with his impersonation and comedy in his closing presentation, that of the Grand Army Veteran. He stopped the show. Twenty-two minutes; special (attic) behind an arch drop in three; three curtains; encore: speech.

Emma Carus, assisted by J. Walter Leopold, as accompanist and with vocal and instrumental selections at the piano. This popular vaudeville artist sang new material, monologued and danced and worked with justified assurance that she was well liked, and for twenty-three minutes. Worked in an interior, did some "setting up exercises"—probably to show she is trying to reduce flesh—while responding to a curtain. Two bows; speech.

Charles F. Rensee and Florence Baird, in "Songillage." Miss Baird tries to make her audience think her exceedingly homely—she certainly looks it—and succeeds wonderfully, but a frequent pleasing smile brings out the deception. Their songs, dialog and action were appreciated, and needed no forcing. Fifteen minutes, in one; to special drop, in two; two bows.

Pink's Mules, billed as "Vaudeville's Equine Jokefest," closed the show and fulfilled its billing. Besides the mules, dogs, monkeys and ponies also appear in the offering, which is fast, replete with good comedy, displays master training and good showmanship. A very fast smothering dog drew heavy applause, and there was plenty of action in the "unridable mule" number. The full stage scene of the interior of a circus produced just the right atmosphere for the production.—CHAS. BLUE.

MONGER'S CLAIM

Denied by Geo. Blumenthal—Calls It Blackmail

New York, Nov. 15.—"The whole thing is nothing but bitterness on Monger's part because he couldn't blackmail Mrs. Hammerstein and myself out of \$147," said George Blumenthal, manager of the Manhattan Opera House, when asked today for a statement of his side of the suit instituted recently by Blumenthal against W. Percival Monger. "Mr. Monger was paid his salary and expenses when he worked for us on the Hammerstein Memorial," continued Mr. Blumenthal. "Then later he put in a bill for \$147, which he claimed was due him and which we discovered was included in a list of expenses already paid. We have requested District Attorney Swann to supply us with a copy of the letter which Monger wrote, explaining that the Oscar Hammerstein Memorial Fund was not being properly handled. We intend to get this letter even if we have to get it thru a court of law. The district attorney has not yet complied with this request."

Asked about Monger's complaint of treatment accorded him when he was arrested and jailed, Mr. Blumenthal said: "Well, well, that's terrible. What kind of a deal did he give Mrs. Hammerstein and myself? That's too ridiculous to discuss."

MIRACLE PLAY PRESENTED

New York, Nov. 15.—At Christ Church, Philadelphia, yesterday, a drama in the form of a miracle play was presented as part of the service to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Anglican Church of Pennsylvania. The play was called "Advance the Line," and was given under the auspices of the Episcopal Church of Pennsylvania.

The play will be given in churches throughout the country next Sunday as part of a nationwide campaign of the Episcopal Church.

ELIZABETH HANNEFORD TO WED

New York, Nov. 15.—Elizabeth Hanneford, of the family of that name at the Hippodrome, will be married next Sunday to Ernest Clark, circus performer.

FRANK C. COOPER

A knight of the white tops, unafraid, sank into the long sleep when Frank Cooper died. His was a heart courageous. Unflinchingly he marched with the dread badge of fatal illness hidden behind sublime fortitude. "I want to die in harness," he told his comrades of the John Robinson Circus when death's pallor crept slowly over his features. If, in the watches of the night he let realization stalk stark into consciousness, he faced the morn with his eyes on his goal—the heralding in the press of his show. He knew the end of the road was just beyond the hills from whence the dusk was stealing, but he marched on undaunted—an honorable man—a staunch friend, a thinker, a dealer in truth and a true gentleman. Life is sweeter for Frank Cooper's having lived, and his memory is an inspiration to countless hearts that throbb to the lilts of the big show band. Peace at last is his portion, peace in the arms of his Maker, but, lest we forget, there is his gentle, loyal comrade of life's trail. Her unflinching devotion to her beloved husband will not be forgotten so long as the circus lives—and that is forever and forever. Yes, life is sweeter for Frank Cooper's having lived—sadder, too, that he is gone, but his faith in the goodness of the people of his world and the divine devotion of his wife will ever be precious solace to the hosts of friends that mourn him.

when a bolt fell from the rigging loft of the theater, striking him on the head.

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WHITE—Fred, charter member of the Cleveland Lodge, Theatrical Mutual Association, died recently at his home in Cleveland, O.

WILLIAMS—Harold G., age 26, manager of the Harold Williams Stock Company died at the home of his parents in Willimantic, Conn., recently. He is survived by a wife, parents, four brothers and three sisters.

WING—Leone, Chinese actor, was killed recently when he fell two stories, while crawling from a window of his home in San Francisco, to an adjoining building.

WOODWARD—John P., air mail pilot, was killed November 7, near Laramie, Wyo., when his plane fell while he was flying thru a dense mountain side fog.

FROM CABARET TO MUSEUM

New York, Nov. 15.—"General" Edward Lavine, identified with the theatrical business for the past 25 years, told The Billboard today he plans to open a museum in the former Perkin Restaurant, corner Broadway and 47th street, next Saturday. He will have twelve acts, including two fat women, also an Indian and Esquimaux Village, and \$25,000 worth of decorations in the place, which was formerly a well-known cabaret.

GENTRY CIRCUS CORPORATION

Chartered at Indianapolis—J. W., F. H. and O. F. Gentry the Officers

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Incorporation papers were filed at Indianapolis last week for the Gentry Circus Corporation, a \$200,000 Indiana corporation for amusement, service, recreation and profit. The officers are J. W. Gentry, president; F. H. Gentry, vice-president, and O. F. Gentry,

deed. The comedy is all clean and funny and the act runs about twenty minutes.

Minnie Bud Harrison opens the current bill with singing and dancing. She has a well-trained voice, but is inclined to shout.

Jack and Jessie Burns, in a tight rope turn, are about as uninteresting as a turn of this sort could possibly be. It dies on its feet. There is hardly a novel feature in the whole act. Why don't these two people, who are evidently experts, try to do something for their act to pull it out of its present mediocrity?

Delso and Wright, on next, start to jazz things up a bit. They work in one, with a special drop. The young chap knows how to extract comedy values, and the girl is vivacious. Songs and patter. Very good turn.

Next comes the 14-people act, "The Winning Widows."

Billy Devere next, blackface comedian, with a lot of stuff that seems familiar to anyone who has seen George White's "Scandals." The Honorable Lou Holtz might recognize some of the material that Mr. Devere springs for the amusement of the audience in Newark.

Stanley and Marie Hughes, working with full stage and a pianist, do some intricate steps, their best number being the Colonial pantomime with what is supposed to be the old-fashioned waltz.

Branigan and Franklin, two very clever men, come out in one, and open with some hokum. They are big fellows, and get the crowd with them at once. Their roles blend nicely, and they sing popular songs, ballads and parodies effectively. Take several bows.

Anna Goldie and Company, two women, who were originally placed in second spot on the bill, have been moved up next to closing, the management considering them pretty good. The woman, who opens the act, is a good con abouter—we'll say that for her. She uses her partner as a "plant."

Prince Karmi and Company, billed as "celebrated illusionists," perform some mystifying illusions with great cleverness. The cannon that seems to explode in the magician's mouth is an uncanny thing. It's a wonder he is not deaf, the noise of the report being tremendous.—CLIFFORD KNIGHT.

Keith's, Cincinnati

(Reviewed Monday Matinee, November 15)

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NOTABLES OF OUTDOOR WORLD

Gather in Cincinnati—Wild West Show May Be the Result

Several notables of the outdoor show world gathered in Cincinnati at the Hotel Havlin Sunday and Monday to discuss matters concerning a new Wild West show for next season. W. H. (Bill) Rice and George F. Dorman, who disposed of their Rice-Dorman Shows recently, came in Sunday morning, accompanied by Major Gordon W. Lillie (Pawnee Bill), and were joined in Cincinnati by Pete Sun, of the Sun Bros. Circus, who made a trip from his home in Toledo, O., for the purpose of being at the meeting. Monday this quartet of showmen was joined by Victor J. Evans, the patent attorney of Washington, D. C. Tom A. Smith, formerly Major Lillie's partner and half owner of the equipment of the Two Bills Shows, was to come in from his farm at Tullytown, Pa. later in the day.

Nothing developed from the meeting up to late Monday afternoon, but from appearances it looks as though some of the optimists who have been on the inactive list (as far as show business is concerned) for the past several years are to get back in harness.

Should they not act in concert, it is most likely that Major Lillie and Mr. Evans (and probably Mr. Sun and Mr. Smith) will become associated in one Wild West organization (probably using the Pawnee Bill title), and Messrs. Rice and Dorman by themselves in another, as the latter recently declared that they would have a show of this kind.

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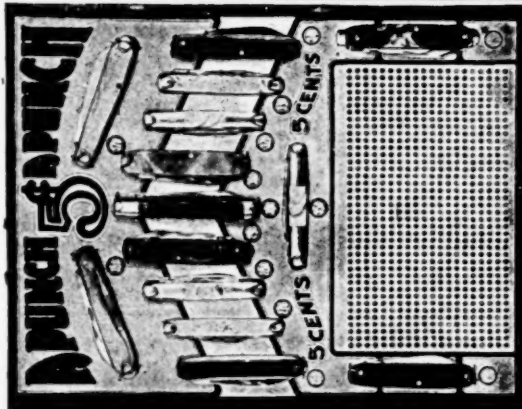
Announcement of the staff and shows will be made later, as some of these have not been filed. When they are made public they will contain the names of the very best people in the amusement business, for such are the Velare Bros. famed.

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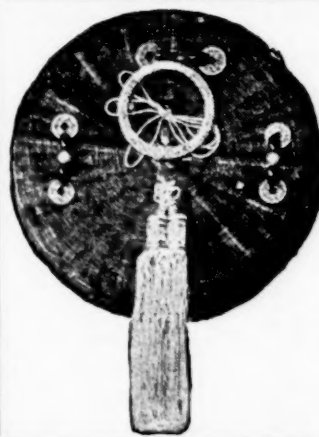
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The understanding is that each and all of these shows will be maintained and run as they are, not excepting enlarged.

The spirit that prompts Mr. Ballard is economy in management, because one office can do the work of all, and the same rule applies to advertising and other sundry and various departments.

The Sells-Floto Circus winter quarters will remain in Denver, and be under the direction of H. B. Gentry.

The circus will open its season at the Coliseum, Chicago, April 9, for three weeks. The exhibition given, should the deal with Mr. Ballard be consummated, will be the biggest and best from every angle imaginable, it is announced; namely, the menageries of all the above shows (47 elephants) will be exhibited during the Sells-Floto engagement. Performers of all of the different circuses will be consolidated for the Chicago engagement.

One need not add another word because the enormity is self-evident.

An Eastern theatrical publication, under a Chicago date line of November 10, in its current issue, said that the Sells-Floto Circus was sold to Mr. Ballard and Jerry Mugivan at a recent meeting between them and Messrs. Tannen, Bonfils and Floto. The truth of the matter is that the sale of that show was not consummated up to as late as Monday afternoon, altho practically agreed to.

It is rumored that the Yankee Robinson Circus brought in the neighborhood of \$73,000.

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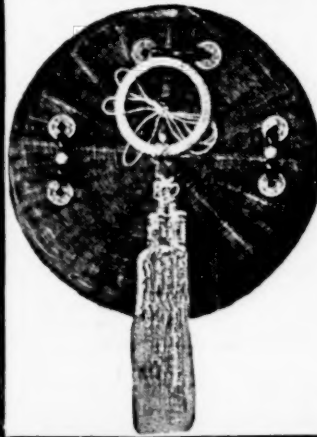
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Barnes, Al G.: Ventura, Cal., 16; Santa Barbara 18; Paso Robles 19; San Luis Obispo 20 (season closes).
Campbell, Bailey, Hutchinson: Sylvester, Ga., 19; Biakely 20.
Campbell Bros.: Pixley, Cal., 16; Delano 17; Mojave 18; Newhall 20.
Eskeve, Jim, Wild West Show: Calvary, Ga., 15-20.
Gentry Bros.' Shows & Wild Animal Arena: San Marco, Tex., 16; Smithville 17; Bastrop 18; Seely 19; Rosenberg 20.
Publiones Circus: (National) Havana, Cuba, Oct. 23-Dec. 15.
Royal, Rhoda: Tampa, Fla., 15-16; St. Petersburg 17; Clearwater 18; Tarpon Springs 19; Olat City 20; Sarasota 21-22; Bradenton 23.
Shipp & Feltes: Santiago, Chile, S. A., until Jan. 1.
Sparks Circus: Ocala, Fla., 16; Bartow 17; Arcadia 18; Tampa 19; St. Petersburg 20.
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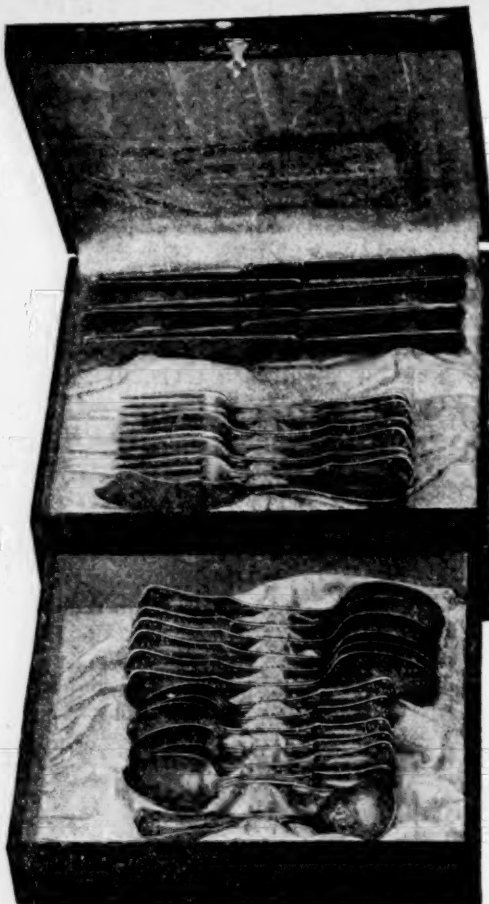
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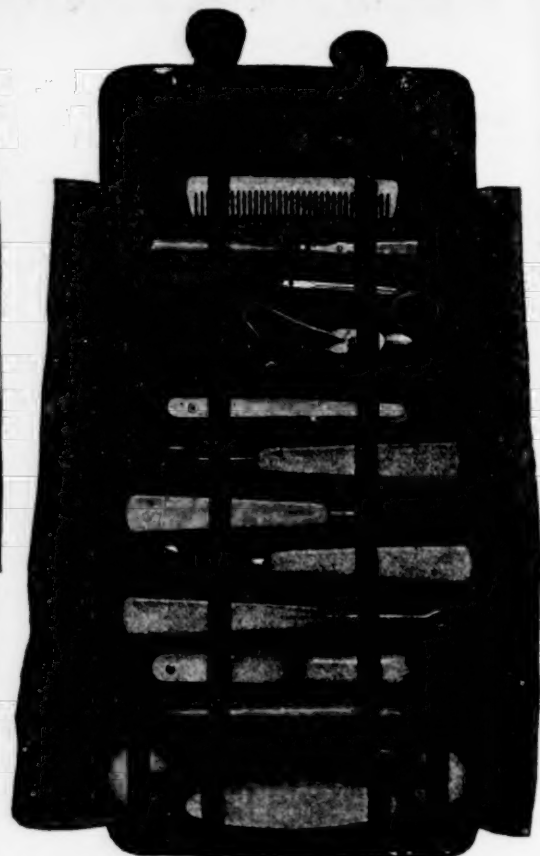
Barlow's Big City Shows, Harold Barlow, mgr.: DeRidder, La., 15-20.
Bauer, Harold: (Emery Auditorium) Cincinnati 19-20.
Bennett, Nellie, & Co.: (Columbus) New Kensington, Pa., 18-20; (Coliseum) New Castle 22-24.
Blaney Players: (Gotham) New York City, indef.
Bliss Greater Shows, Condon & Bliss, mgrs.—(Correction)—Midland, Ark., 22-27.
Breakfast in Bed, with Florence Moore; (Lyric) Cincinnati 15-20.
Business Before Pleasure, W. A. Downs, mgr.: Leadville 21; Grand Junction 22.
Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Eugene Tsaye, conductor: (Emery Auditorium) Cincinnati 19-20.
Clarence: (Grand) Cincinnati 22-27.
Coulthard-DeVoto Players: (Grand O. H.) Versailles, Mo., 22-27.
County Fair Co., No. 1, Charles A. Koster, mgr.: (Grand) Clarksburg, W. Va., 15-20; (Dixie) Fairmont 22-27; (Liberty) Wheeling, W. Va., 15-20; (Dixie) Fairmont 22-27; (Liberty) Wheeling 29-Dec. 4.
Delmar Quality Shows, C. J. Keppler, mgr.: Beeville, Tex., 15-20.
Dufour, Lew, Shows—(Correction)—Kingstree, S. C., 15-20.
Elmina, Mlle., Trio (with 20th Century Moving): (Century) Mishawaka, Ind., 19-21; (Bucklen) Elkhart 22-24; (Phoenix) Laporte 25-26; (Hartley) E. Chicago 27-28; (Midway) Chicago, Ill., 29-30.
English, Paul, Players: Philadelphia, Miss., 15-20.
Friedman United Shows: Cowan, Tenn., 15-20; Bellebuckle, Tenn., 22-27.
Hammond, Geo. (Hypnotist): Munroe, La., 17-18; Rayville 19-21.
Hoey & Mozar's Cheerup Girls: (Frisella) Cleveland 22-27.
Marion Mason's Regular Girl Co.: (Academy) Meadville, Pa., 15-20.
Nutt, Ed C., Comedy Co.: Pensacola, Fla., indef.
Peat & Stevens: (Orpheum) Kingston 17-19.
Post, Guy Bates: (Lyric) Cincinnati 22-27.
Realart Revue, Tom Meredith, mgr.: Bessemer, Ala., 15-20.
Rock's, Wm., Revue: (Grand) Cincinnati 15-20.
Russell's, Billy, Buckeye Belles: Duquoin, Ill., 22-27.
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Synco Players' Jazz Band, Wm. Watkins, mgr.: Ann Arbor, Mich., indef.
Synco Players' Novelty Orchestra—(Correction)—(Peacock Inn) Cleveland, until Feb. 5.
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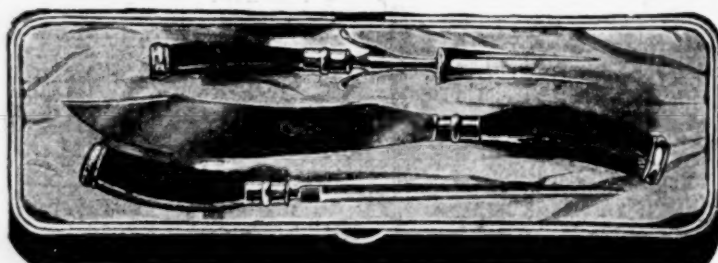
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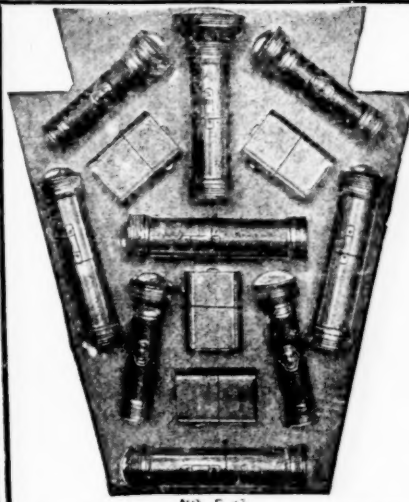
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